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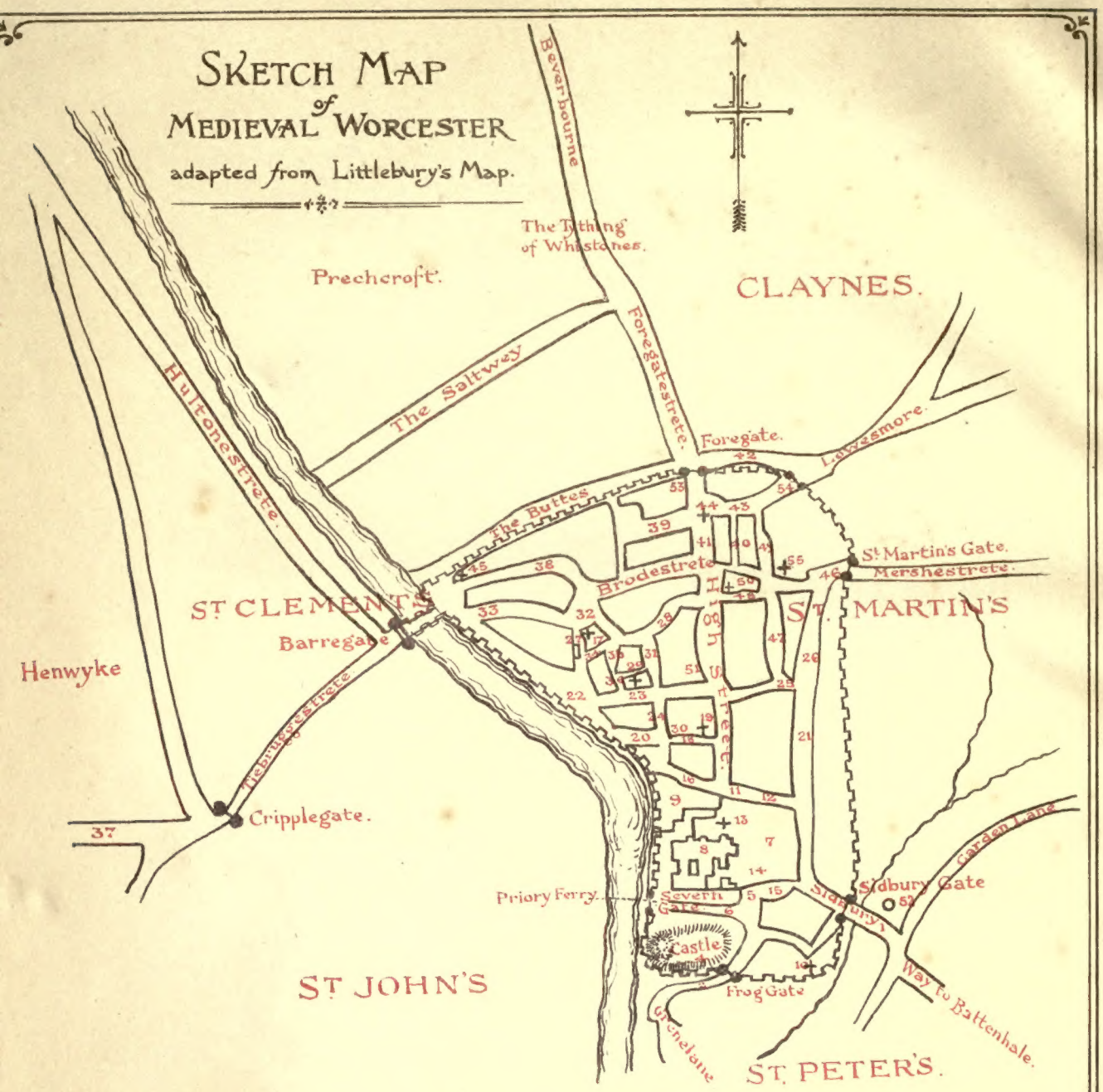

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10. Church of St. Peter the Great.
11. Cemetery Stairs.
12. Siche Lone.
13. Church of St. Michael in Bedwardyne.
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17. All Saints' Church.
18. St. Alboneslone.
19. Church of St. Helen.
20. St. Mariestrete.
21. Frerenstrete.
22. The Water Wharfe.
23. Cokestrete.
24. Hucksterestret.
25. Nelderestrete.
26. Gloversstrete.
27. Keyenstrete.
28. Poywykeslone.
29. St. Andrew's Church.
30. St. Alban's Chapel.
31. Bridport.
32. Rotherchepynge.
33. Eport.
34. Wodestante Strete.
35. Houndeslone.
36. Shipmonslone.
37. Way to the Bromyards.
38. Dolday.
39. Angel Strete.
40. Trinity Lane.
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42. Samson's Stile.
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44. St. Nicholas' Church.
45. St. Clement's Church.
46. The Cornchepynge.
47. Baxsterstrete.
48. Mealchepyngestrete.
49. Cornchepyngestrete.
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53. Hospital of St. Oswald.
54. Olde gaol lane.
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INTRODUCTION.

ORIGINAL documents must inevitably be of higher interest than a copy, even if that copy chance to be contemporary; yet considerable attention has been paid to monastic cartularies, and comparatively little to the original deeds from which they were compiled. The present volume deals with part of the collection of such deeds now in the possession of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester, and forms the most important part of Class B, section 2, of their archives, the section including charters, leases and other parchment documents relating to Worcester and its suburbs. These have been in part utilized by various writers in the past, and some few have been printed *in extenso*, but the greater number have not previously been calendared or in any manner systematically dealt with: Dr. Peter Prattinton constructed a very brief list in 1824, dealing with 240 documents, but this had become entirely disarranged and useless when Bishop Edmund Hobhouse examined the series in 1881; in 1908 an entire rearrangement was carried out, at the request of the Dean and Chapter, by the editor of the present volume, covering the whole of the archives then remaining. This was done in too short a space of time to admit of any carefully planned arrangement, but the documents were sorted into five classes, and numbered and arranged in charter-boxes in chronological and topographical order. In consequence of this haste some documents were misplaced, and a few others put together in an ambiguous section under the general title Worcester. A careful study deed by deed has led to the identification under streets, &c., of many of these latter, and they will be found in their proper places in the following pages, although their numeration has not been altered.

Very many of these deeds are torn and fragmentary, and nearly all much discoloured by years of neglect, so that restoratives have been necessary in many cases.

The arrangement of the Chapter archives is as follows:—

A. Bound volumes.
B 1. Deeds relating to places outside Worcester.
B 2. Deeds relating to Worcester and its suburbs.
C 1. Accounts of Obedientiaries.
C 2. Accounts of Provosts or Bailiffs of Priory Estates.

D. Manor Rolls.

E. Letters and Papers.

F. Deeds not originally part of the series. Most of these wherever possible have been handed back to their proper owners, viz., the Bishop of Worcester, the Bishop of Ely, and the Chapters of Norwich and Winchester.

The most interesting deeds are undoubtedly those relating to the jurisdiction or rather administration of the Diocese *sede vacante*, dating back as they do to the time of the original agreement made between Archbishop Boniface and the Prior and Convent in 1268, but this apparently was only a settlement between the three parties interested of an ancient and customary right which had not hitherto been adequately defined, but it is thirty years earlier than the commencement of the great Register book, which Mr. Willis Bund has already edited for the Society. The series includes the confirmation of the agreement by the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, and gives the full text of the original document which was supposed to be lost; it does not, however, add any further particulars to those already known. The declaration made by the Proctors of the Prior, in the Consistory Court held by Cardinal Ottobon in Winchcombe Church, on the Feast of St. Peter-in-Cathedra, 1265, is of interest not only in showing how the decree was promulgated, viz., to representatives of the divers Rural Deaneries of Gloucestershire, but for the curious fact that only one of the three proctors commissioned to appear cared to act: no explanation is however given, but the plural form in which the original was cast led to the correction of the Document to the singular.

The formal acknowledgment of the Prior's rights is also found in an inspeximus of a letter from Bishop Nicholas, under the hand of Ralph de St. Denis, Notary of the Holy Roman See, the said letter bearing date Epiphany, 1266. There are also entries on a roll of the dispute with the Abbey of St. Peter, Gloucester, disputing on the one hand the Prior's right to visit, and on the other the steps he took to enforce it, giving the arguments of both Prior and Abbot, and their several answers.

The more important of these documents have been printed in full in the Appendix, and throw an important additional light upon the *sede vacante* Register; one cannot quite see why they were not entered therein, but that volume does not appear to be retrospective.

Another interesting deed is that in which William, Archdeacon of Arréou, acting as Administrator of the See of Canterbury, orders the Prior of Worcester to act, *sede vacante*, on death of Bishop William de Geynesburh; this is dated at London the 7th Ides of October, 1307.

Very curious is a short letter written in French by the Prior to one Richard de Wyke, styling himself Chaplain of our Lord the King, politely refusing his request to give lodgement to *un Polain;* at first sight it seems a very serious document for so small a request, and the Prior speaks seriously of his inability to oblige, and points out that the Bishop has already complained of the excess of sojourners, and he proceeds to add that were he to grant the Chaplain's request some mischief-maker would certainly acquaint the Bishop, and he himself would be severely blamed. It at least shows the esteem in which a horse was then held, and the care over the smallest details of Monastic economy, if there is not a more subtle meaning in the expression.

A second document in French, given in the Appendix, is the text of a letter from Edward the Third directed to the Abbot of Evesham, the Prior of Worcester, and a Knight of the Shire, Sir John atte Wood, urging the speedy collection of a loan of 600 marks, and calling on them to appoint a committee of 12 persons, composed of Regular and Secular clergy and laymen, to collect 50 marks each. This is dated 17th June, 1370. It is interesting to note from the Cellarer's rolls that the sum was repaid, not indeed by the King, but by his executors after his death.

Another deed gives the close of a dispute between the Religious and thes ecular clergy of the city, anent the ringing of the bells for prime and curfew; the monks maintaining that the bells of the town churches disturbed their devotions, and infringed their ancient privileges. The matter was carried to Rome, and the Pope appointed as his commissioner the Abbot of Pershore, who found that the Cathedral authorities had justly complained. He accordingly summoned the clergy of the town with their Holy Water bearers, part of whose duties it may have been to ring the bells, and declared that they were not to sound the prime and curfew until the Cathedral bell had given the signal. It may be noted that some of the clergy could not be found, an absence that was possibly not entirely accidental.

The bulk of the documents consist of grants of lands and rents to the Priory, prior to the statute of mortmain, and leases by the monks and their successors of the same lands. In this connection it will be remembered that every acre and half acre in the common fields; and every burgage, tenement, toft, and croft in a town, was held of some lord, either directly of the King, or far more frequently of another subject; and it sometimes happened that a series of lords had interest in the property, each owing some service to the lord above him, and receiving some service from the tenant below him. Such a tenant in fee held rights in which he had a life interest, and which were heritable. Of species of tenure there

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were several, but that which concerned the Priory most was tenure in frankalmoin, that is *in libera elemosina*, or free alms.

Such grants were made in return for an indefinite spiritual service, such as the prayers in general of the Religious; the word *elemosina* expressing the motive of the gift rather than the description of tenure. Grants of this description could be withdrawn at the grantor's wish, and hence to render possession constant the term perpetual was prefixed, and property thus acquired was free from secular jurisdiction. To secure freedom from secular service the word pure was added, so that a grant in free pure and perpetual alms brought an ownership as full as could be desired. These grants were moreover taken out of the realm of human justice by their very terms, since primarily they were definite grants to God, the fact that they were also given to the Religious being secondary.

Such an alienation of land seems at first sight absolute, but it was not safe until a confirmation had been obtained from every person who held any right in it. The immediate overlord sometimes joined with the grantor in his concession, but usually a fresh deed was the rule, and although at first no money passed for such a confirmation, in a few years it became usual.

The final confirmation rested with the King, nor was it considered sufficient to trust to what had been done in the past, but rather to obtain a fresh confirmation from each monarch in succession. In practice the Religious usually waited until they had many small rents to be confirmed to them. There are several such deeds in the present series.

Tenure in frankalmoin was but one of the tenures by which a monastery held its possessions; more important still was that of Knight's service, whereby the property of the house became a Barony, and had to render military service in consequence. Tenure by divine service occurs also; in such a case the grantor extracted from the grantee some definite return for his benefactions. An early and interesting example occurs in the Covenant made by Prior Senatus, c. 1196, for a mass for the soul of his predecessor, Prior Ralph de Bedford.

Besides the Grant by charter we meet with many Quitclaims, that is the record of a surrender of rights by means of a sealed deed, the pioneer of the somewhat similar release. There are many specimens in the series. Leases whether for lives—in which case the tenant became a freeholder—or for a term of years, are common, and the rent payable either in money or in kind helps to the understanding of land values. Two deeds require special notice: the first is a solemn bond by a certain Christian Wynemer, binding herself under severe penalties to carry out the provisions of her gift to Christian Westesik, the said penalties being a payment of 10 marks to the

grantee, of 40 shillings to the fabric of the Cathedral church, and to have her goods distrained and herself excommunicated. This is a good specimen of an early bond, and contains all the usual provisions (Maitl. and Poll., ii. 225). The other is a grant of chattels to Alice, widow of Walter de Leye, a master mason, and incidently gives a list of shop fittings. The chamber or camera itself, woollen cloth, linen, chests, dishes, brass vessels, coffers, and small appliances, but the vendor specifies for the return of the great brewing-vat at her death. The date of this deed is 1342.

The various properties dealt with in the documents came for the greater part, sooner or later, into the possession of the priory officials. The earlier in pure and perpetual alms, the later with qualifications, such as a proviso for masses for the soul or some description of service. In the later deeds the gift is usually specifically assigned to one of the Priory Obedientiaries, or to some definite purpose, so that most of the officials were recipients of beneficial grants to support the work of their several offices, and the income is duly noted in their half-yearly accounts. Grants to the light of St. Wulstan would in natural course be audited in the rolls of the Tumbarius, those to the light of the Blessed Mary in those of the Magister Capellae, and so forth. There are a number of donations in support of the Gardinarius, but no rolls of such an official remain, but one would suppose him to be an Obedientiary also. In the earlier days leases were not issued by officials without a note of the Prior's assent, but this was not later on the rule, indeed one document is attested by the Sacrist's seal, and not the Common Seal of the Priory. The purchase of seals by one or another of the Obedientiaries appears upon their Compotus rolls, but impressions are rare. At Worcester more than elsewhere the seals have suffered, which partly perhaps accounts for this rarity.

It is said that Edward the Confessor granted to Worcester some form of self-government in 1042. It is certain that he granted St. Wulstan and his monks sake[1] and soken[2], team and toll, and as the Bishop was at that time Abbot, in a certain sense the town, which was a Bishop's town in 1086, may be said to have received a charter from him. But the fact that it was a Bishop's town might mean little more in practice than that the Bishop had tenants with property about his Cathedral. Henry I. is further said to have given the City civic liberty under a constable, perhaps when he visited the city in 1128; and from other sources we learn that there had already been friction between Urso D'Abitot and the monks, of which more presently. All this is somewhat vague, but the present series of deeds show that at least as early as Henry II. the citizens had courts of their own, presided over by provosts, chosen presumably by the King.

[1] The privilege to hear legal disputes. [2] The right to inflict a fine.

It is unfortunate that these early documents bear no date, since the many names of the then provosts, and those of the early bailiffs, cannot now be arranged in order—indeed the reigns in which they flourished can but be hinted at; until the middle of the reign of the 1st Edward we are hardly ever upon sure ground.

Nevertheless there is no reason to doubt that both Richard I. and John augmented the liberties of the city. The charter of the first named speaks of burgesses, and grants to them the fee of the city at a fee farm rent. It does not however hint at the constitution, which in some form or other must even then have become customary; but it was probably, as the deeds indicate, a town moot under provosts and senior burgesses. A town moot of this kind included all the adult citizens of the city, and they had the right to be present at, and vote in, the "moot," but in practice the attendance would become more and more confined to that of the leading citizens, who would be largely guided by the Officers of the Constable, those of the Bishop, and very possibly of the Prior—until in fact a necessity arose for a limitation of interference, and a more definite constitution, such as appears in the charter of Henry III. The charter granted by the last named King allowed a municipal government under two Bailiffs, freely elected by the burgesses, equal in their authority, and undistinguished by the adjectives High and Low [1] as in other towns; with these the King's officers, the Sheriff, and Constable, were not to intermeddle, since the Bailiffs, unlike the earlier Provosts, were not in the same way under their control. Henry's charter was confirmed by him on the 23rd of February, 1256.

The franchise granted to the burgesses was actually of small value. *Sake and Sōcn* was a kind of jurisdiction that every lord enjoyed, even when it was not stated in so many terms in his charter. It was no great gift, no special privilege, but simply that manorial jurisdiction which every person had who possessed tenants enough to form a court. Such a court was held under the earlier Provosts. It was merely the old customary Town Moot or gathering of the freemen. The only real addition is the right to hang thieves taken within the Manor (see Maitl. and Poll., i. 579). Of far more practical importance is the grant of freedom from toll, passage, pontage, stallage, licence, dangegeld, and gaywite throughout the realm, London alone excepted.

The citizens were to have a Gild-merchant, no trader having the power to carry on his trade within the walls unless he became a member of the fraternity; while membership for a year excused him from obedience to any former lord. He became free, a matter of no slight moment in a feudal regime.

[1] Though in one late document the term is applied.

To the Gild-merchant gradually became assigned much that would appear to have been more properly carried out by the direct supervision of the City Bailiffs and their Aldermen. Such assignation of responsibility perhaps arose from the fact that the more prominent men of the borough were permanent in the management of both, and that the gilds rendered easier and more economical the constitution of the city, and greatly aided the development of its trade. In the case of Worcester the gild became so important, that the defence and repair of its walls and gates, protection from fire, the policeing of the city, and the sanitation of its streets and river, were overlooked by it, and the very city bailiffs were responsible to the gild's officials. In spite of this it is scarcely referred to in any of the documents, none of its masters or proctors appear as witnesses, nor are the Acts of its Mornspeeches mentioned.

The court at which the deeds were for the more part executed was the Town Moot. The names of the Provosts and afterwards the Bailiffs are conspicuous, and their fellow-witnesses may well have been Aldermen, Chamberlains, and Assessors. These date back many years prior to the year of Henry's Charter, and indeed in the earliest the later *Ballivi* are invariably styled *Prepositi*, so that the city was at first under provosts, until bailiffs took their place; this may have been in the reign of John. Whatever the constitution of the city, these deeds show that trade flourished in a very marked degree.

The ancient street names of the city of Worcester present a problem at once fascinating and full of pitfalls for the unwary. At first sight it seems an easy matter to fix the older appellations to their modern usurpers, and easy it would be if bounds were always given in a way to answer our queries; but it is rarely so. Thus in considering the maze of streets a start must be made at some well ascertained point, about which there can be no possibility of error. None seems more suitable than the ancient main entrance to the Cathedral, known as the Cemetery Stairs. These occupied the southern end of the High Street, from what is now Mr. Haughton's shop to the corner of Lich Street. From these stairs the forum of ancient Worcester, its High Place or High Street, ran northward, then as now the seat of the principal trade of the city and of its chief inhabitants. On the eastern side, a narrow lane, the Lich Lane or Lich Street, led to the Lichgate of the great cemetery about the Cathedral Church, important remains of which still exist with exceedingly massive oaken uprights. This Cemetery served as the burial-place of the burgesses and their families for many centuries. Lich Street led on to the suburb known as Southbury, but now corrupted into Sidbury, and thence by the South gate to the uplands of Battenhale. Before the South gate was reached a turn led to the main entrance of the Priory to the

Great or St. Mary's gate. This turn was called La Knole or Studemery's Knoll, and lastly High Timber Street, which name was current within living memory until superseded by the meaningless Edgar Street based wholly upon a misnomer. The *insula* thus formed by Lich Street, Edgar Street and the line following the bailey of the castle, closed by the river wall of the monastery, constituted the Sanctuary, of which the Cathedral was the just and natural centre. St. Mary's Gate has been confused for a very long period with the gate of the Castle, which King John is credited with having constructed, but there is more than one reason why this particular gate could not have been that of the Castle. The main entrance at Worcester to the Norman monastery would appear to be that which still gives access to the Cloister. In most Benedictine houses this entrance was adjacent to the West front of the Priory Church, but in the case of Worcester, the position of the Bishop's Palace and the Severn led to the monastery being constructed upon a comparatively small piece of ground, so that the usual arrangements could not be carried out. There must have been an approach to this entrance along the outer ramparts of Urso D'Abitot's entrenchments, and possibly not very much else. The gateway as now standing is obviously of two or perhaps three dates, the material used in the lower and earlier portion being different from that of the later, but in neither is there any evidence that it was intended for military use: in fact it is defenceless. There is no portcullis[1], no *Meurtrières*, no loopholes for cross bowmen, and at the most it could only have stayed a short-lived attack from citizen rioters. The later part was obviously built after the destruction of Urso's outer enceinte, when the monks obtained their own again; the old portions appear to be earlier.

At the North-east corner of the Cathedral stood the Church of St. Michael in Bedwardine, and a way lay to it called St. Mary's Stairs. Such small churches are often found in the immediate proximity of the Cathedral or Monastic Church of a city, and the reason is set out in the case of the Church of St. Nicholas at Rochester. A deed there shows that in 1327 the monks agreed to build an oratory in a corner of the nave of their church next the north door, with doors and windows to the Oratory to keep the reserved sacrament for the sick during the night hours, and that when it is built all access to the Cathedral Church is to cease except on the night of our Lord's Nativity and the Feasts of All Saints and St. Nicholas. (Roch. D. & C. Archives, No. 604.) This Oratory expanded into a church. If this little church was built at Rochester to save the monks from disturbance in the night, it is quite possible St. Michael's took its origin for similar causes.

[1] The shallow grooves that exist cannot have been for this purpose.

On the south of the Edgar Tower the way forked; a narrow lane ran along the Priory boundary wall, of which Castle Place is now the remains. This was formerly called Castle Lane, and gave access to the earthen ramparts of the late Saxon camp. It is just possible that this may afterwards have been known as Sheriff's Lane, but at present there is no proof that it was so. Once this lane opened into Frog Lane, but was closed at the request of the gaoler, who found it difficult to prevent his prisoners from escaping by it. The removal of the motte or burh of this earth-fort revealed the fact that the site had been occupied by a late Keltic people who used socketted celts with wings, and that they were succeeded by an Iron Age people whose *fibulæ* and other ornaments had in a like manner been preserved. The site was probably fortified with the dual purpose of guarding the ford and protecting the water-way, and this burh and its fosse was the origin of the future City of Worcester. It must not be thought that the population about the ford needed defence, but rather that the river-way afforded exceptional facility for the invasion of the Midlands, and the burh of Worcester was thrown up for the same reason as that of Welcombe by Stratford-upon-Avon. There is historical evidence that the great burh-maker, Ælflæda, Lady of the Mercians, with her husband Æthelred, reconstructed the earth-fort about the year 918, at the special request of the Bishop.

It was this burh, with its oval earthworks and motte, just within the enceinte, that was again reconstructed by Urso D'Abitot, who, not content with the old bailey, threw up between that and the monastery an extension, seizing sanctuary land for his purpose. It would suffice doubtless if he left sufficient room for a roadway to the Norman door already mentioned. The gateway of the earthworks would seem to have been reconstructed by King John, when both timber and stone were used, the latter probably for foundation only. There is no evidence that the fort was ever more than a series of palisaded mounds of the ordinary type, and the gate-house would suffice if it corresponded with the rest of the structure.

The larger fork lying a little south of the smaller is now called Severn Street, but the older inhabitants use the old title of Frog Lane; this led to the river through a postern called the Frog Gate, outside which a green way led southwards to Diglis meadows. A "Grene Strete" is named in the charity deeds of St. Swithin's, but it is not likely to be this little way. The exact position of the Church of St. Peter-the-Less is somewhat doubtful. It is almost certain it was within the enceinte of the Castle earthworks, and may have been the original Castle Chapel, which would be a necessity. Such a Chapel was usually close to the Motte, as at Castle Rising in Norfolk and elsewhere; but wherever it was a lane ran

from it to the Church of St. Peter-the-Great, and King Street is probably a portion of it.

Hitherto the streets present no very great difficulty, but the network between the High Street on the east and the Quay on the west is far more complex. The Bishop's palace, now the Deanery, had its main entrance in Palace Yard, then called Bishop Street, and an approach to St. Alban's Church was gained by way of Palace Row, meeting a turn from the High Street, which commenced at the corner by St. Helen's Church, and was called St. Alban's Lane, in modern parlance, Fish Street, which was continued to the river side by what is now Warmistrey Slip, so named from the mansion of the Warmistrey family, but which usurped the ancient name of St. Mary's Street. Whether this name points to an otherwise unknown chapel of the Blessed Mary or not can perhaps hardly be answered, but in 1196 or thereabouts an Adam of St. Mary's occurs among other incumbents of Worcester parishes as a witness to the endowment of a Mass for the soul of Prior Ralph de Bedeford, who died in that year. The continuation of Bishop's Street appears on the modern map as Little Fish Street; but was in earlier days called Huckster Street, though from one deed it would appear that Huckster Street communicated with the Foregate Street. The Gyld Hall, or at any rate a gild hall, was in this street. It terminates at the point Copenhagen Street crosses it. This street, the Cokestrete of early Worcester, leads from the High Street past St. Andrew's Church to the river, and still retains one of the very best specimens of a gabled house in Worcester, the barge-board being worthy of careful study, possessing as it does figure subjects and heraldic decorations. It has been assumed that the street was at one time named Cucking Street, on the assumption that through it the cucking-stool was led to the river, but the evidence of the N.E.D. is entirely against such a derivation. Huckster Street is continued under the name of Brid or Bird port, a street that bends slightly towards the south-west, and which at about half its length is again crossed by a street on the right, which is now a cul-de-sac, but which may perhaps have led out into the High Street and borne a name that so far only occurs in deeds at St. Swithin's, viz., Bocherestrete [1], but this is mere guess-work. Its left branch is known as Hare Lane, a name not as yet met with in the early deeds. There was, however, a public-house at the corner called the Hare and Hounds, which may account for it. In that case the older name may be Shipmonneslane, which was somewhere in this neighbourhood. Hare Lane leads to a lane, Hounds Lane, which crosses it at right angles, and possibly at one time passed on the west of

[1] It is more likely that the part of the High Street occupied by the butchers was so called.

St. Andrew's Church, where there is still a right of way. Yet another lane, Group, or more correctly Grope, Lane, leads from the Bridport past Hounds Lane into Keyen Street. This lane had, at one time, flights of steps and can hardly be other than the Wodestaithstrete of the deeds. It is continued as Powick Lane and Bank Street into the High Street. This Powick Lane certainly took its name from the family named Powyke who had property here temp. Edward III.

From the northern end of High Street The Cross, the greatest and widest of the ancient streets, Broad Street [1], led towards the Severn. All Saints' Church was then obscured from view by a row of houses now demolished, and was approached by a flight of stairs which must be the Hollhollenstare of the deeds. From the Broad Street a diagonal street, the Newport, led to the ancient bridge. This street is called Eport in the deeds, because it led to the eye or ait in the Severn, which was utilized by the builders of the bridge. This bridge led to the suburbs across the river, and was defended at its western extremity by the Barr gate, after which the line of way ran by Tibrugge street to the Cripplegate, while on the right Hilton Street led then as now towards Henwick. Somewhere here was another street mentioned in St. Swithin's deeds called Wullengale or Wynhale Street, but its exact position does not appear [2]. These were within the parish of St. Clement's, the greater portion of which lay on the right bank of the Severn, although the church itself was on the left at the end of the lane called Dolday.

The High Street terminated in the Northgate, Forestgate, or Foregate, while beyond it stretched the tithing of Whistones in the parish of Claines and the Hamlet of Barbone, the brook of the beavers, while between the street and the river stretched the Bishop's meadow, the Prichcroft.

It is necessary to retrace our steps to the Cemetery Stairs before we can deal with the similar network of streets upon the east of the High Street, and which filled up the space between that street and the walls. The Lich Lane leads to Sidbury on the south, but to Friars Street on the north, a name derived from the Franciscan monastery, part of whose buildings still rear their massy gables to the street. This is met by a turn from the High now called Pump Street, but more anciently Neldare Strete, the home of the needle-makers, with exception of the corner opposite St. Helen's Church, where the shoemakers found a home, though they appear to have migrated across the High Street into St. Alban's Lane, which was re-christened Corviser Street. Near St. Swithin's Church a short street called St. Swithin's Street was anciently known as Goose Street,

[1] A deed in St. Michael's chest calls this Rotherchepynge, i.e. Cattle Market.

[2] It may have been applied to Halton Road.

Goose Throttler Street and little Mealcheping. From it a cross street, The Shambles, formerly the abode of the baking fraternity under the name of Backster Street, leads into Pump Street. The Corn Market was held in the open space about the Church of St. Martin, and was connected with Friar Street by what is now New Street, a name which has supplanted that of Glover's Street, and with Church Street by Melecheping Street, which is happily unaltered. St. Martin's gate was on its eastern side, and led, so we gather from St. Swithin's deeds, to Merche or Marsh Street. At the south-western angle of the space, Queen Street appears, having taken the place of the early Corncheapingstrete. The junction of the High Street and St. Nicholas Street was once the site of the Garden market, but its eastern extension was called Gaol Lane, which led into Lowesmore, a name that remains unchanged.

This brief summary of the ancient streets and lanes of the city will help the reader the better to comprehend the several names under which the deeds are grouped, although there is much to be done in clearing up the topography of old-world Worcester. A mine of information awaits us in the large series of ancient deeds in St. Swithin's parish chest. It is to be hoped ere long these will be made available to antiquaries.

In these streets and lanes the Provosts, Bailiffs and burgesses of the city carried on their several occupations in the picturesque gabled houses of the period, of which not a few happily remain.

Their goods, disposed at first in cellars partly below the level of the street and approached by stairs from it, were later shown on the ground-floor, so arranged that the solar or dwelling-room of the family was built above it, and in time bedrooms and lofts were raised yet higher, the whole falling into a general type, exposing in the larger edifices, such as the hostelries, two gables to the street, and a roof line at right angles to them, while behind was the little toft and croft that made up the usual burgage tenement. No doubt then, as now, there were local rivalries and perhaps jealousies, and then, as now, certain men of mark held a predominant position in civic affairs, and held in all probability equal influence both in the gild and town moot; but Worcester would seem to have been a fairly prosperous city, where skilled artisans were able to live and rear their families in such prosperity and peace as the times afforded, and at a date earlier than any of our documents the churches and chapels of the city were built and endowed, and the Priory and its Monks set an example which rarely lapsed as a living power for good in the busy commercial world about it. Indeed the names of some streets, such as Coke Street, Baxster Street, Corviser Street, Needler Street, etc., and Huckster Street, were so named from the trades that occupied them, but

the deeds speak of many other persons whose trade was from its nature confined in range, and these are to us the more interesting.

A single Medicus (Chirurgeon), Gervase the Medicus, was living probably in Sidbury, in the year 1297.

In the year 1302, one Richard Bagley, described as an Appothecarius, with his wife Edith, gave a house in Broad Street to Agnes, daughter of Simon de la Beuwe, butcher.

Thomas Organista, who is a witness in three deeds of Bedwardine, in the reign of Henry III., was a professional musician, an organist in fact, one *qui organa pulsat.* He can hardly have performed elsewhere than in the Cathedral, and at least it is pleasing to think he did so, though his execution would not be so pleasant to modern ears.

Between the trades and the above "Professions," stand out very prominently the men to whom we owe the beautiful fabric of the Cathedral, the great choir of which was built during the 13th century. Are we wrong in ascribing this work to Master Alexander, the mason? That he was a man eminent among his peers is evident; since he takes first place among the witnesses, as in a grant by William de St. John, a cellarer of Worcester, and brother of "the linen weaver," to the Priory of lands in Bedwardine, and is expressly described as *Magistro Alexandro cementario Ecclesie Beate Marie de Wigorn.* He again appears as witness (in the second place) in a charter of the date of King John. Later on in the century another mason, John de Strensham, was living in a tenement in Sidbury; he seems to have left the city in 1321, as in that year he sold all his goods and chattels to the widow of a brother mason, viz. to Alice, relict of Walter de Leye, who also lived in Sidbury, in a house next that of the Hospital of St. Wulstan, 1323. It can hardly be doubted that these Master Masons were responsible for such parts of the Cathedral and Priory as chanced to be built during their term of office.

Of importance are the Worcester Goldsmiths, the men who wrought the immense amount of gold and silver plate which enriched the several churches of the diocese; much of this must have been made at Worcester. They were the legitimate successors of the older Moneyers, the last of whom was living temp. Henry II., and it is noticeable that his name, Oslac, is that of one of the earliest Provosts. Oslac is not a common name, and the two men may well be identical.

In the early years of Henry III., Ingram the Goldsmith was working here, and has as his contemporary, or nearly so, a certain Hugh, who had a workshop next to the plot of land of Richard the Sacrist; the mention of Bishop Cantilupe limits the date of this document to the years 1236-66. Hugh is also a witness in another deed, and is named as holding a tenement

in Needler Street, and contemporary with him Master Bartholomew the Goldsmith, who is named in a deed which is a quitclaim by Bartholomew to John de Estleye of a tenement in the Cemetery bounded by a stair next to the house of Alexander and the Court of the Bishop. Hugh was succeeded in business by his son William, who gave to the Priory certain lands in Worcester to augment the Sacrist's income. He was probably the same person as William le Goldsmith, who had a messuage and one shop in le Bridport, in which he was living with Ysabel his wife in 1310, and of which he was formally enfeoffed in the bailiff's court five years later. His business must have flourished, since he took another tenement next his own in 1338, when he had as his immediate neighbour Walter the Chirurgeon. In 1316 he and his wife were enfeoffed of a house in the High Street; there was moreover some connection with Lyche Street, since he is a witness to a lease of a house there in 1333, to John le Goldbeter and Agnes his wife.

There were other goldsmiths in Worcester in the 13th century, viz., one Robert, who occurs as witness in the year 1302, and in the same year is called Robert, son of Robert the Goldsmith; he had a tenement in Neldare Street. In 1320 Geoffrey also appears, and is described as son and heir of Ralph the Goldsmith. He is named as granting a rent of 3*s.* 6*d.* out of a house in the Bridport to one Robert Bonner; Pain (Paganus) is yet another, and is one of the witnesses to a grant of a shop in the High Street to a goldsmith named Jordan de Revereshull. This is in 1310. Of a later date John le Goldsmyth occurs in 1376; but later than this there is no mention of the trade.

Next to the Goldsmiths mention may be made of the Bellfounders, who were working at Worcester all through the Middle Ages, and are frequently noticed in these deeds. There was once a bellfounder's yard in Silver Street, but hardly of so early a date. The earliest of the trade appearing in the deeds is one Simon, who flourished in the middle of the 13th century, and was living in Sidbury till 1294. He is named under the style of Simon Campanarius, or Simon le Belyeter, between the years 1226-66. In point of date he is succeeded by a man who was particularly conspicuous in the government of the town under the title of Richard le Belyeter, and on four occasions occupied the Bailiff's office, viz., in 1301, and in 1310-12, and yet again in 1314; as may well be imagined, he occurs as a witness many times, at dates varying from 1300 to 1322, but in only one document as a principal; in this he leases lands in Timberdine to Richard le Mercer, A.D. 1306. The document has affixed to it a fine specimen of his seal, a wide-mouthed bell, with the legend "*Sigillum Ricardi le Belyeter.*" This Richard may well have been son of Simon, and may have been the father of John le Belyeter, who succeeds him and appears as a witness in 1347 and in 1351.

Of yet later date, but perhaps of the same family, is Richard le Belyeter, who occurs in 1464.

Of the other metal workers there is less to say, but there was a boltsmith in 1347 (if the name actually represents a trade, of which there is some doubt). Coppersmiths are twice named, viz., Nicholas le Coppersmith, 1333, and again in 1348. Smiths generally are frequently mentioned and need not detain us, but Stephen le Locksmith is an exception, since he was bailiff in 1301-2, and had a shop in front of the Gylde Hall in the High Street.

Corvisers or Shoemakers gave their name to a street in Worcester at an early date, and the trade is more than once mentioned. Thus Nichol the Corviser is named early in the reign of Henry III.; William de Inteberg, who married Joan de Cotherigge, held two houses in le Bridport in 1304; Thomas de Dene occurs in 1326; there was also Martyn le Corvysor in 1320—1346, and Richard le Parchemen', who granted his rights in a tenement to Richard le Mercer in 1329, but none of them seem to have lived in the street which bore their name.

If we turn to the manufacturers of articles of wearing apparel the list contains many modern-looking names, such as Drapers, Dyers, Glovers, Hosiers, Mercers, Tailors, and Webbers or Weavers, most of whom were represented in every town of this date, and therefore demand no special treatment. But an exception should be made in the gloving trade, since from an early date it has been an important one in the city. The earliest of the craft named is Walter the Glovemaker, mentioned in a deed of the middle of the 13th century. Richard Holey worked here in 1405, and John Canyng owned a share of a tenement in Eport in 1499.

The trades dealing with provisions were bakers, in sufficient numbers to have a street of their own, in which their ovens were situated, and requiring special construction, it would seem possible that they did not move to other parts of the town. If bakers were many, and influential, the same cannot be said for the butchers, who are only named occasionally. They naturally required pasturage within easy reach of the town; one of them, Walter Derlung, had a messuage in Henwick in 1331, another, John de Brotton, leased a tenement in the High Street in 1338, and Henry Cheylemarch and Edith his wife carried on business next the Church of St. Martin in 1329.

The Cooks had a street to themselves, viz. Cokestrete, but are only twice mentioned in these deeds, viz William the Cook, temp. Henry III., and Walter as early as King John.

Every little manor had its miller, and Worcester was no exception. The Worcester millers carried on their labours in "The mill-next

Worcester," which was a windmill at Batenhale[1], all through our period, and were often of considerable importance. Grocers or Spicers were of necessity wanted but they were not numerous. Cellarers or Vintners provided the needful wine; the earliest mentioned, as early as the 12th century, is one Gunbert Vinetarius.

The Chandlers had a street to themselves as had the Needlers, but the latter are not mentioned at all, and the former but rarely. Carpenters are plentiful but never seem to have herded together; one bowyer is named Roger le Bowyere in 1333. In the Middle Ages the barber held an exceptional position, one of considerable responsibility, inasmuch as he was usually half surgeon also. Only three are referred to in the deeds, Geoffrey Barbour in 1347, John le Barbour in 1330, and William Gornay in 1455.

The preservation of the deeds of a religious house was in the first instance due to the land hunger of the spoliators, since every particle of land the house possessed was most assiduously tracked down by the grantee of the Crown. Greed fraught with endless food to the modern student! In the case of Worcester the ancient regime passed almost imperceptibly into the new and the documents never changed hands. The neglect of generations of officials is alone responsible for the terrible gaps in the series, but it is a matter of thankfulness and wonder that any have escaped. But what antiquary can fail to regret the loss of the splendid series of Saxon deeds Dugdale catalogued? and the more recent labours of Prattinton and Hobhouse show that the losses even in the last century have been severe.

It is not too much to say that their present condition is almost entirely due to the energy and zeal of Canon Wilson, who personally cleaned and examined by far the greater number, and caused the Dean and Chapter to order their removal to their present resting-place.

The work of editing these charters could not have been undertaken but for the kind permission of the Dean and Chapter, and the help and advice of the General Editor, of Canon Wilson, of Professor Skeat, to all of whom the editor's thanks are due; and also to Mr. Shuttleworth, Master of the Choir School, who has spared neither time nor trouble in clearing up the topographical difficulties presented by the documents.

The thanks of the Society are also due to the Dean and Chapter for courteously permitting the Catalogue to be printed.

J. HARVEY BLOOM.

WHITCHURCH RECTORY,
Nov. 1909.

[1] And perhaps at the Mill in Frog Lane.

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Worcester Assizes.

ORDER to arraign John Ferreyes of Ledbury, gent., Robert Hoper of Estnor[1], Richard Walden of Pauntley[2], labourer, and Ysolt his wife, attached for divers felonies, Tuesday after Trinity, 12 Hen. VII.? (1497). 897

True bill returned against William Parker of Worcester, corveser, who with a stick and knife assaulted John Barker and mortally wounded him, 16 Sept., 13 Hen. VII. (1497). 898

Precept to empannel a jury, 13 Hen. VII. (1502), with a list of Coroners and Bailiffs attached :—

Names of Coroners :—William Brugge, Richard Hawkes and John Pechard.

Names of Seneschals :—Richard Croft, Knight, Seneschal of the Bishop, John Martynne, Knight, Seneschal of the Abbots of Evesham and Pershore, and of the Prior of Worcester.

Names of the Bailiffs of Hundreds:—John Bradley, deputy of Thomas Dafford, Esq., bailiff of the Hundred of Oswaldeslowe, Geoffrey Knottesford, bailiff of the Hundred of Pershore, Robert Perewynd, bailiff of the Hundred of Dodyntre, Oliver Maynewaringe, bailiff of the Hundred of Halfshire, William Culle, deputy of Richard Rusch, bailiff of the Hundred of Blakynghurste, John Dent, bailiff of the lands of the Prior of Worcester.

Bailiffs of our Lord the King.

Names of the Free Bailiffs :—John Archard and John Raynalds, bailiffs of the City of Worcester. 899, 900

Order to bring Thomas Bolekk of Worcester, William Perkyns of Wyke Burnell, husbandmen, Thomas Petyn of Donyngton, and John Keper of Caldewell, labourer, before the Justices, Thursday after Easter, 17 Hen. VII. (1502). 901

[1] ? Ashton, Co. Hereford. [2] Co. Glouc.

Inquiry whether or no, Thomas Wygat of Warwick, labourer, entered the pasture of Thomas Wylkys at Dichford in Blockley [1], and stole thence a grey horse worth 20*s.*, 4 May, 17 Hen. VII. (1502). 902

Order to attach Roger Bowland of Clifton upon Temed [2], chaplain, and William Garlek of St. Jonys in Bedewardyne, wever, Tuesday after Trinity, 17 Hen. VII. (1502). 903

Order to bring the body of Agnes Rewardyn, servant and single woman of Worcester, before the Justices, Tuesday after Trinity, 17 Hen. VII. (1502), to answer for felonies. 904

Order to bring Nicolas Cotterell of Boughton [3], labourer, Philip Jenkes, labourer, John Mychell, labourer, William Cotterell, labourer, John Soys, alias Walssheman, labourer, all of the same place, John Betterton formerly of Bewde [4], John Webber of Elmley Lovett, husbandman, Thomas Charlement of Worcester, pewterer, Henry Wharton of Chaddesley Corbett, yeoman, Richard Clyfford of Holt, gent., Nicolas Warde of Stoke-upon-Severn, yeoman, John Ements of Upton-upon-Severn, yeoman, John Bailey, yeoman, Thomas Taylor, yeoman, William Dykulf, yeoman, Reginald Wilde, yeoman, William Wright, yeoman, all of the same place, John Blake of Henley, John a Claydon of Upton Snodysbury, Thomas a Cleydon of the same, labourer, William Horton of Caberugge, labourer, Simon Whityndon, vicar of Prior's Cleve, William Ree of Warmyndon, husbandman, and Elizabeth his wife, Thomas Ap John, alias Bonnur, of Evysham, mercer, before the Justices. Trinity Term, 17 Henry VII. (1502). 905

Order to bring Roger Hanley of Dudley, yeoman, Robert Musket, yeoman, John Mason, bocher, Thomas Wynslode, bocher, Roger Osburne of Bewdely, saddler, Thomas Graninge of Abburton, labourer, Hugh Elkmund of Abbotysmorton, husbandman, and Richard Fynche of the same, before the Justices at Worcester, Tuesday after Trinity, 17 Hen. VII. (1502). 906

Certificate of bail found by Henry Wareton of Chaddesley Corbett, viz. Thomas Bache and Richard Prynne, in 20 marks. Signed W. Littleton, Knight (no date). 907

Inquiry whether or no, Thomas Wygott of Warrewyke, husbandman, with a staff and cudgell broke the close of William Chylde, at Northewyke in Blockley, and stole thence a black mare worth 33*s.* 4*d.*, 4 Oct., 17 Hen. VII. (1502). 908

[1] Co. Worcester. [2] Clifton-on-Teme, Co. Worc. [3] Broughton Hackett.
[4] ? Bewdley, Co. Worc.

Order to make inquiry whether or no, Thomas Leynthall, formerly of Assheford, co. Staffs, labourer, attacked Richard Bartlam at Donastyd [1], and stole from him a horse worth 14*s*., 2 March, 17 Hen. VII. (1502). 909

Names of Jurors, 18 Hen. VII. (1502-3):—Roger Walwyn, gent., William Brugge, gent., William Sheldon, gent. (erased), John Wood of Wolverley, gent., Robert Solley, gent., William Trymnell, gent., Richard Grymehill, gent., John Baugh, William Meysey, Richard Churkehill, Edmund Wrenford, John Brome, Roger Frewen, John Frenche, John Robyns of Stocton [2], John Frewen, Thomas Buttes, John Palmer. 910

Worcester City.

Final Concord levied in the court of the King at Worcester, 11 (? Edward I.), before Thomas, abbot of . . . William, son of Warin . . . whereby Emma . . . quitclaims to Walter . . . all her claims in land . . . 911

Grant by Philip de Aula to the Sacrist of the priory, to support the light of the B. V. Mary 14*d*. rent, which Walter Burewold received out of houses situated between those of the Grantor and a site belonging to the said Sacrist.

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, and Alex. Edwyne, provosts of Worcester, Jn. Cradi, Walter of Wiggemor, Ric. of Ledeford, clerk, Jn. Priche, Master Alex. the mason. 912

Release by Nicolas, son of William, sometime vicar of St. Helen, quitclaiming God and the B. Mary in all claim in lands in Worcester which Ralph Laurence and Gregory of Cromb held by gift of Henry de Elham and Amice his wife, for 9*s*. or 1 lb. of Cumin; and to the heirs of Richard Flaggulf, 40*d*. The priory to pay a rent of 5*s*. 8*d*. to Nicolas and his heirs.

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, and Roger of Oxford, provosts, Peter Colle, Robert, son of Nigell, Thomas the baker (*pistor*), John the vintner, William Sebrond, John Pargamenar', Walter the Carter, Richard le Mercer, Benedict de Herdewik, and many others. 913

Grant by Margaret, widow of Hugh Unwyne, to Roger Poer of all claim in lands in the feoff of Hugh, formerly her spouse.

Witnesses: Robert of Spechele, William Sebrond, John Percamin', then provosts, Walter Wills, Roger Francs, and many others. 914

[1] Dunhampstead. [2] Stockton-upon-Teme.

Grant by William de Kinggeswode to the Prior and Convent, of part of a meadow lying between that of the said priory and that of Richard Prich, which William Lappe, his grandfather, had held at a rent of a pair of gloves, or 1*d.*

Witnesses: William of St. John, clerk, Thomas of Stoke, William Sebrond, Benedict, John Paschal, Roger of the Hill (Monte), Helyas of the Grene, Robert, his son, William Blak, and many others. (12th cent.)

915

Grant by William, son of Alfred Lovenun of Wich, confirming to Richard Baudun, for homage and service, the house which Edith Halidey and Laurence bos sometime held, with its curtilage, which Thomas held at rent of Reginald, son of Reginald the clerk, and which stands by the King's way: he also gives to Thomas that moiety of it which reaches from the King's way to the Privy next Staunbroc.

Witnesses: Sir William Aleyn, Thomas of Sagebrug, bailiff of Wick, Aldred Prior, Peter, son of the same, Alan Colwar, Richard, son of Osbert, Richard Martin, John Hikedun, Richard Bolumel, Thomas Keyse, Richard Alewin, Alfred Wisler, Laurence bos, Thomas, son of Adam, and many others.

916

Grant by William, son of William of Alkareswik, confirming to the Prior and Convent of Worcester a rent of 20*d.* out of the messuage which Hugh Ruffus held, next that in which William, brother of Nigell, dwelt.

Witnesses: Roger Aubin, Peter, son of Peter, William Colle, Richard the Jew, Walter Wille, John Cumin, John Pascell, Benedict, Mathew, Richard the Porter (*Janitor*), and many others.

Seal: A fleur-de-lis. SIGILL. WILL' DE SVDEL'[1].

917

Grant by Richard Syward, baker, of Worcester, to William Peet of the same, for fidelity and service, of 18 selions in Middelfeld, which he bought of Peter de Cruce, viz. 12 selions between the land of Peter le Teler and the highway from Worcester to Hereford, and the remainder at their head, for which he gives William 40 marks.

Witnesses: Master Hugh of Kent, seneschal of the prior, Sir Alex. Davitot, Richard of Colewyke, Philip de Aula, Geoffrey of Blakewell, John Cradam, Pain Burgeys, burgesses, Richard the Syward, and many others.

918

Release by John Culvert of Oxford, quitclaiming John of Asteley, citizen, in all claims in 3*s.* rent out of land situated between those of Alice le Palmer and John of Astle.

[1] The D in Sudely is reversed.

Witnesses: Walter of Derley and John, son of Osbert, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Robert Batayle, Pain Burgeys, Roger of Persore, William Freens, John, son of Alexander, Henry Peche, William of Kemeseye, Hykerked the Baker (*pistor*).

Seal: A human head, with the *manus Dei*.—S' IOHANNIS CULV . . . .

919

Release by John Beneth to the Prior and Convent of all right in lands which Benedict de la Herdewyke sometime held in Worcester.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and Henry Cointrel, bailiffs of Worcester, Walter of Derleye, William le Frend, John of Estley, citizens of Worcester, and many others. 920

Grant by Peter Peet of Worcester to the sacrist of the priory there of 13 lands which he held in farm of Adam Utred for 13 years in Holdefeld, and the marsh between lands of Richard and Margaret Neel.

Witnesses: John Cradan, Master Alexander, mason of the Greater Church of Worcester, William of Coderugge, Robert le Botilier, Walter of Warewyke, Simon of Borastone, John of Biliford, clerks of that Church.

921

Lease by John, son and heir of Roger de Monte, confirming to Walter Burewold, citizen of Worcester, for homage and service, 6 selions of land, with their appurtenances in the upper Furlong, between land of William Gallicus and that of the Grantor at 6*d*. rent, payable half yearly.

Witnesses: Luke de Novalanda, Philip de Aula, Richard of Colewyke, Robert, son of Elie, William le Blak, Richard de Cruce, Benedict de la Hardewike, William Gallicus, Walter of Wigemore. 922

Confirmation by Christian Wynemer, wife of Peter Wynemer, pledging her person and her goods for the observance of the gift and grant she has made to Christian Westeik, to be drawn up in an indenture at the cost of the grantee in the first eyre at Worcester, Gloucester, Warwick, Hereford or Shrewsbury; under a penalty of 10 marks to the grantee, and 40*s*. to the fabric of the church of Worcester, herself to be excommunicated and her goods distrained if she fails fully to satisfy the grantee. Not dated.

Witnesses: John Aubyn, John Dane, William Frend, Laurence le Port, William de Wynchcombe, Clement Duravit, Peter Squibs, clerk, and many others.

Seal lost. See Appendix. 923

Grant by Walter Eliot, citizen, confirming to Thomas of Pebmore a curtilage situated between the tenement of Robert on the one part and that of Perkynes' wife in the street called . . . ., in the suburbs of Worcester. (Illegible.)

Seal lost. 924

Grant by Roger, son and heir of John de Monte of Bedwardine, quit-claiming to God and the Blessed Virgin Mary, to the use of the Gardinarius of the Priory, all claim in 8*d.* rent, which Walter Burewold, Walter de Wiggemore, and John, father of the grantor, paid out of the plots of land which they had by the escheat of Walter, son of William . . . ., and on the death of Alice, grantor's mother.

Witnesses: Richard of Colewyk, Philip Gorulf, Philip de la Sale, Thomas Organista . . . ., Richard of the Grene, Gervase of Gutinge, William Pride, William le Trillere, William Smith, John Smith of the Grene, and many others.

Seal lost. 925

Grant by Hugh, called de Waleford, chaplain, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the sacrist, of a capital messuage which Robert of Grympeleye held, situated between that of William Cirtularius [1] and that which the grantor held by gift of the said Robert.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Coyntrel, bailiffs, Richard le Mercer, Philip of Kynes, Peter le Tyler, Philip of Lyleshulle, William the smith, and others.

Seal lost. 926

Grant by William (?) Prade of Worcester to the Prior and Convent of a plot of land 8 feet wide, which John le Hore held of the Gardener (*gardinarius*) of the prior of the preachers [2].

Witnesses: Robert le Ster, Benedict le Notere, Walter of Chuelade.

Seal lost. 927

Grant by John Chiterling to the Prior and Convent of a moiety of a meadow on the Severn, which his father gave him, "to have and hold of me and my heirs to the use of the master of the works," with a rent of a pair of gloves, and a penny payable at Easter.

Witnesses: Thomas of Stoke, Thomas le Cherto, Luke of Newland,

[1] The monk in charge of the monastery garden, i.e. gardinarius or curtularius.

[2] The Preaching Friars.

Walter the Janitor, Benedict of Herdewik, Walter of the Garden, and many others.

Seal lost. 927 a

Grant by Symon Gervase, citizen of Worcester, to William . . . steria, merchant, of that messuage with its appurtenances which Richard Booke held, and which lies between . . . . and that of Richard le Zepe on the one side, and the little lane leading towards the Severne, and in length . . . . outside the gate called North gate, to the land of Richard.

(Much damaged). . . . . Edward . . . .

Seal lost. 928

Grant by Richard le Sacrist, with the assent of Walter Cantilupe, Bishop of Worcester, confirming to Alexander, son of Edwin, citizen of Worcester, for homage and service, a plot in the Cemetery of Worcester, next the workshop of Hugh the goldsmith, and John the Smith.

Witnesses: Sir Jordan of Aldeswelle, seneschal of the Bishop, Walter de la Dene, Master Bartholomew the Goldsmith, Symon the Bell-founder (*campanarius*), Master Alexander the mason, Roger, his son, Nicholas of Claynes. (Between 1236-66.)

Fragment of Green Seal—a building with a head below. . . . . SAC . . . . 928 a

Deed of assent of Walter de Cantelupe, Bishop of Worcester, addressed to Richard le Sacrist, with an inspeximus of his grant to Alexander, son of Edwyne, citizen of Worcester, for homage and service, of a plot in the cemetery, by the workshop of Hugh the goldsmith (*aurifaber*) and John the Smith, to hold the same at the rent of half a silver mark.

Witnesses: Sir Jordan de Aldeswell, seneschal, Walter de la Dene, Master Bartholomew the goldsmith, Simon Campanarius, Master Alexander the mason, and Roger his son, and Nicholas de Claynes, clerk. 929

Grant by Walter, son and heir of . . . ., chaplain, to Henry Coyntrel of Worcester of 6*s*. rent. (Too fragmentary to decipher.)

Witnesses: John, son of Alexander, and Roger of Perscor, Provosts of Worcester, John Aubin, Robert Batayle, Henry Poche of . . . ., chaplain, Henry the Capillerarius[1], William Peet, Elyas the Taylor (*cissor*), John Ca . . . rio, David the Baker (*pistor*), Peter Peet, and others.

Endorsed "Carta de redditu de terra Robert Alpena." 930

[1] Capmaker.

For Number 931, see after 1285.

For Number 932, see after 1271.

Grant by Richard the Baker (*pistor*) of Worcester to William Peet for fidelity and service of 18 selions of land in Middelfeld, which he bought of Richard de Cruce, 12 lying between the land of Osbert Claud and the way from Worcester to Hereford, and 6 at their head.

Witnesses: Sir Alexander Dabbitot, Richard of Colewyke, Philip de Aula, Geoffrey of Blakewelle, John Cradam, Thomas Wille, Alban Francis, Philip Cointerel, William Francis, Walter of Worcester. (Cf. No. 918.)

Seal lost. 933

For Number 934, see after 1285.

Fragment of the will of Hugh Oldbury, citizen of Worcester. 935

Grant by Christiana, widow of Peter of Wyke, to the Prior and Convent, and to the light of St. Wulstan, the 8*s*. rent, with reliefs and all other appurtenances, paid by John Spil (?).

Witnesses: William Roculf and Philip Fouk, Provosts, Walter of Pydele, James Aubyn, John Alisaunder, Walter le Mercer, Robert Bateyle, and many others.

Seal lost. 936

Fragment . . . ., Worcester, 10 April. 937

Quitclaim by Edith, widow of Robert of the Strete of Pechesley, to James Aubyn, citizen of Worcester, of all claim in her dower lands.

Witnesses: William, son of Osbert, ... de Pechesley.

Seal lost. 938

Grant by Henry, called le Pilchare, citizen of Worcester, enfeoffing William the Carter of Worcester in 8*s*. rent out of a tenement in Worcester described in a charter in his possession, Monday in the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1279.

Seal: A star. S' HENRICI LE PILCHARE. 939

Release by John, son and heir of Symon Francis, citizen of Worcester, quitclaiming Richard called le Seynter and Agnes his wife, in all claims in 69*s*. rent, which they held of John, son of Peter, for which they give 6 marks.

Witnesses: William Colle and Wolstan of Salop, bailiffs of Worcester, Walter Quoyntrel, Peter Colle, Richard of Evesham, Stephen le Smith, Adam of the Holy Land (*de terra sancta*), Richard of Tucesbury (?), Thomas of Lychesfeld, Robert de Camera, William of Peytum, Thomas of Codeleye.

Dated, Worcester, Monday after St. Mary in March[1], 22 Edward I. (1294). 940

Number 941, see later.

Number 942, see later.

Grant by Richard, son of Richard Ruff, butcher (*Carnifex*), citizen of Worcester, to Adam Pirie and Gonilde his wife, of the messuage Robert Bomour held, situated between that of Adam and the tenement of the said Robert.

Witnesses: Thomas of Braunteford and Robert of Hunneulton, bailiffs, John Comyn, Henry of Upton, John Lony, Richard of Evesham, Alan le Taylour, and others.

Dated, Monday before St. Denis, 2 Edward II. (1308). 943

Number 944, see after 1277.

Number 945, see after 1232.

Release by Robert of Brocton, citizen of Worcester, and Alice his wife, to Thomas Gros, citizen, and his heirs, of all right in a plot which Thomas held by gift of William Rokulf, senior; which plot lies behind that he held by gift of William, son of William Rokulph, between the tenement of Thomas and that of John of Worcester, and reaches to that of John of Samford.

Witnesses: William le Carter and Ralph of Tolwardyn, bailiffs of Worcester, John le Mercer, Robert of Himelton, John Dalby, clerk, and many others.

Worcester, Thursday in St. Martin, 17 Edward II. (1323).

Seal: Two hands crossed, LOVE WELL, The Annunciation, beneath a double tabernacle. AVE GRA . PLENA . DNS. . . . 946

Grant by Cecily, sister and heir of Sir Richard of Wyrecestr, Rector and chaplain, granting to Thomas of Clare, clerk, 8*s*. rents in Worcester,

[1] The Annunciation of the B. Virgin Mary, March 25.

viz. of the sacrist, 6*d.*; of John of Syppe, 2*s.* 8*d.*; of Peter of Witton, 13*d.*; of Thomas le Granger, 6*d.*; of Peter called Moulner, 12*d.*; of Lucia of Clopton, 8*d.*; of Thomas of Somertone, 1*d.*; of John Eynolf, 2*d.*; of Simon of Lemestres and Christian Daryl, widow, 11*d.*; of John of Dekecare, 1½*d.*; of Margery of Pilarton, 4*d.*; with wards, marriages, extracts, reliefs, suit of court and all other appurtenances, also all her tenements, 13½ acres of land, with trees, buildings, dovehouses, vineyards, gardens, curtilages, meadows, pastures, hedges and ditches, which William Gorulph held in Bolton in Wyke of the Bishop for life.

Witnesses: John of Stone, bailiff of Oswaldeslowe, William le Cartere, bailiff of Worcester, William Roculf, junior, Thomas, son of Nicholas of Astone, Richard Perres of Abyndon, William of Martleye, and others.

Worcester, Sunday before Epiphany, 2 Edward III. (1329).

Seal lost. 947

Grant by Thomas, son of John of Morehall, and Joan his wife, to Ralph Doubegh and Joan his wife, and the heirs of their body, of ½ acre of land.

Witnesses: Robert Deyson, Humphrey of Barton, John Fyppon, William Walker, and others.

Budforde, Feast of St. Barnabas, 3 Edward III. (1329).

Seal lost. 948

Grant by Simon Gros, citizen, to . . . . of a tenement in . . . .

Witnesses: John Lony, Walter . . . ., Walter of Worcester, Walter le Mercer.

Worcester . . . . 19 Edward III. (1345).

Seal lost. 949

Certified copy of the pleadings and finding in a suit brought for possession of a messuage by Thomas of Wotton of Worcester, mercer, and Isabel his wife, against Ralph of Brompton, in the Court at Worcester, Monday after St. Aldeburg (?), 27 Edward III. (1353); the verdict in favour of the deforciant. 949 a

[Grant by John of Oxon, parson of the church of St. Andrew's, Worcester, and John of Todenham, vicar of the church of Overbury, to the Prior and Convent of 40*s.* rent, which they had by the feoffment of John Spelly of Worcester out of the following tenements:—From the tenement of John the Mercer in Sudbury, situated between those of John the Belyetere and William the Goldsmith. See the original deed, No. 1571.

Grant by John Spelly to the feoffees above-named. Witnesses: Peter of

Greote, Thomas of Slowtre, Thomas of Clyfton, William of Spetchley, Roger the Tanner, John of Shelve, and others. Dated Worcester, Friday next St. Martin, 32 Edw. III. (1359). Sewn to the margin is a schedule of the property, viz. :—

That tenement which was John the Mercer's, which John Wode holds, called Bereschyn.

That which was John Chandlere's in Forgate strete called "Aula Trinitatis," which Hambury held.

That which was Richard Payn's, in which John Frewys dwelt, in the High strete.

That which was John Aylewyne's in Baxster strete which Sibil Polen held, between those of Thomas Cassy and Walter Longe.

Copy of a statute staple: . . . . . John Throcmorton and John Wood, custos . . . Vaughan, chaplain, Thomas Lyfild and Elizabeth his wife . . . John Brewer, Esq. . . . (Much decayed.)

Acquittance by John Fordham, prior, to the feoffees.] 950

Lease by John of Kyngton, webber, to John le Tillere, of a shop upon a basement (*edificatio*) between the tenements of John le Taillour and William le Kynch, for 10 years at 8*s*. per annum.

Witnesses: Thomas of Tolwardyn and Hugh le Fornour, bailiffs, John Mathew, clerk, Richard le Arwe, and others.

Dated, Worcester, Thursday after Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 35 Edward III. (1361). 951

Power of attorney by William of Mirchamoy, rector of the church of Seggesbarowe, John Carlton, rector of the church of St. Swithin, Henry Cotterel, chaplain, William of Asteley, chaplain, John Croule, senior, John Barndesley and John Henley, attorning Nicholas Lory and Nicholas Thomas to give full seisin to Sir William Hulle, Adam Shepherd, Richard Ledbury, Hugh Cooke, William Tiburton and John Stret, of a garden in the suburbs of Worcester. Sunday after St. Denis, 43 Edward III. (1369).

Seals: Oval. 1. St. Katherine standing with a supplicant at her feet . . . S' GVIL' EVG . . . TE . . . 2. A shield with a merchant's mark: SIG. RICHARDI DE BOTULSTONE. 3. On a shield[1] three escallops. Legend . . . 4. Oval. St. Catherine and her wheel. . . . Legend defaced. 5. A cinqfoil. No legend. 952

Grant by Adam Walker and John Diere, executors of the will of William Salwarpe, of a tenement, held for lives, by William Worthyn, webber, and Margaret his wife, which they hereby sell to the said William.

[1] ? Cotterell.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Mary Magdalene, 2 Richard II. (1378).
Seals lost. 953

Release by Petronilla, widow of Robert Salewarpe of Bedwardyn, to John Reynald of Seggesbergh, clerk, of all claim in a plot between the land of the Tumbarius, of the Priory of Worcester, and the garden of the grantor.

Witnesses: Thomas Smyth, Richard Smyth, Henry Colet, tailor, John Hulle, Hugh the Carpenter, John atte Layhton, Thomas Croyce, Thomas Ronteyn.

Bedwardyn, 4 July, 14 Richard II. (1390).
Seal lost. 954

Grant by John Bache and his wife . . . 14 Richard II. (1390). Illegible.
Seal lost. 955

Plea before Thomas Colne and Thomas George, bailiffs of Worcester, in the suit of Richard Holey, glover, and Alice his wife, versus John Bredon and Thomas Gotteby, for the possession of a messuage in Worcester . . . . declared of the feoff of Richard and Alice. 8 Henry IV. (1406-7). 956

Letter from Richard Poywick, chaplain, addressed to Thomas Abbot of Pereschore, sole executor and lawful deputy of the Apostolic See for the execution of the within written, stating that he has received his mandate dated the 18th of August last, and addressed to himself conjointly with James of Colewelle, and William Cockes, clerics of the Diocese, citing the bull of Pope Innocent VII. on behalf of the Prior and Convent of Worcester, in answer to their request that their ancient and immemorial right may be sustained, viz. that no bell be sounded by other chapels and churches in Worcester after the ringing of the curfew in the evening or before the ringing of the bell for chanting primes in their own priory church, which of late has been infringed to the great disturbance of the Religious, and which custom is ordered to be retained and in no way interfered with under pain of Excommunication. The said bull being dated at Viterbo, the kalends of February, Anno 2 (1405-6), and directing the said Richard and James to cite the rectors, vicars, chaplains, &c., in the said city to appear in the Greater church of St. Peter to answer, &c. He certified that he so cited certain rectors, &c., with their respective Holy Water bearers, to hear and give obedience to the said bull, and was not able to find the others. The formal attestation being sealed with the seal of the Dean of Christianity of Worcester, at the request of Sir Richard Poywyke. Dated Worcester, 6 October, 1406. See Appendix. 957

Grant by John Beaumond, citizen of Worcester, confirming to John Cole, clerk, parson of the church of St. Helene, and to Thomas Stabold all his tenements in Worcester.

Witnesses: Thomas Belne and William Pygon, bailiffs.

Worcester, 24 November, 9 Henry IV. (1407).

Seal lost. 958

Grant by William Wode, formerly of Burton-on . . . ., and Joane his wife, confirming to John Trymmenell a yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.*, received of John during the minority of John Heryn.

Witnesses: Thomas atte Wode, bailiff, William atte Wode junior, Richard Parwyche, esquire, Thomas Elyote, rector of the church of Chippenham, John Bryette, John Crompe, and many others. Dated Northwyke, Wednesday after the Ascension, 34 Hen. VI. (1455).

Seal lost. 959

Precept from the Crown to the bailiffs of Worcester *re* the intrusion of Roger Prootton, Stephen Muchgood, John Grene, and John Kynges, into a toft in Worcester. 26 April, 20 Edw. IV. (1480). 960

961 See Foregate street.

Bond of Thomas Dodynge to the Dean and Chapter to keep covenants. 16 July, 3-4 Philip and Mary (1557). 962

Presentment of the jury of the city of Worcester, 1 May, 5 Elizabeth, that Bernard Carter of St. Nicholas, Worcester, yeoman, not being properly apprenticed from 2 June, 6 Elizabeth (1564), until the 12th of August in the said year, did exercise the occupation of clothworker against the peace of our lady the Queen, and he is hereby suspended for 7 years. 963

Indenture dated 30 June, 44 Elizabeth (1602), between Richard Eades, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter of the same, and Thomas Cockes of Crowle, gent. In consideration that the said Thomas, by a writing dated 23 June in the present year, hath surrendered all his claims in the manor of Crowle, they by this present deed renew the same. 964

965 See St. Helen's.
966 See St. Michael's.
967 See Baxter street.
968 See Keyne street.
969 See St. Peter's.
970 See St. Michael's.

Lease dated 25 Nov., 1664, by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to John Tomkins of Marten Hussingtree, gent., surrendering a new built house and stable, which is hereby relet for 40 years at 3*s*. rent.

Seal lost. 971

972 See St. Michael's.

973 See Bedwardine. St. John.

974 See Powick's Lane.

975 See High Street.

Worcester, All Saints.

Quitclaim by Christiana, daughter of Richard Prich, to Sir William le Poher and his heirs of all claim in 3*s*. rent out of his hall (*Aula*) next the church of All Saints, he paying Sir Hugh de Mortuomari, lord of the feoff, 20*d*.

Witnesses: William of Pidele, Pain Burgeys, Thomas Wille, John Page, Henry Contrel, John Alisaundre, John Prich, and many others.

Oval seal: A crosslet fleury S' CHRISTINE DE LONDRES.

976

Grant by Sir Thomas Kyniot, rector of the church of St. Peter the Great, confirming to the Prior and Convent a curtilage near his garden, next the tenement of the rector of All Saints.

Witnesses: Thomas Lychfield, John Bardesleye, John Goldsmyth, Robert Bayle, Robert Baret, William Bayard, and others. Dated, Worcester, 13 May, 1 Richard II. (1378).

Fragment of seal: . . . . OMEND. 977

Lease, Michaelmas, 11 Henry VIII (1519), by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to Thomas Poole of Wircester, carter, of 2 tenements and two gardens, in the parish of All Saints, situated between the tenement of Edmund Tedyngton, baker, and that of Henry Agbarowe on the north, for 40 years at 12*s*. rent.

Seal: T S in monogram. 978

Lease by William Hambury, master of the chapel, to John Sudyngton, plumer, Joan, his wife, and Richard, his son, of a tenement in All Saints, between that of the said master and the tenement of William Evott, brewer, on the south, at 6*s*. 8*d*. rent.

Dated the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 29 Henry VIII. (1538).

Seal lost. 979

Lease, 16 July, 1-2 Philip and Mary (1555), Phillip Hawford, Dean of the Cathedral, to Richard Wellington, plumer, of 2 tenements in All Saints, between the tenement of William Evott on the south and those of the said church on the north, at a rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly.

Signed and sealed with a gem, an aged man's head. 980

Lease dated 25 November, 14 James I., from Arthur Lake, Bishop-elect of Bath and Wells, and Dean of the Cathedral of Worcester, to Henry Bach of Worcester, clothier, of a tenement at the east end of the Severn bridge, from the city wall as far as the house of William Madock.

Seal lost. 981

Lease by Francis Willis, Dean of the Cathedral and the Chapter, to John Williams of Worcester, haberdasher, 25 November, 36 Elizabeth (1594), of a tenement between the house of Francis Sherman on the south and the tenement of the church of All Saints on the north, at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent per annum.

Seal lost. 982

Lease by William Juxon, Dean of the Cathedral and the Chapter there, to Thomas Haywood of Worcester, clothier, 3 November, 7 Charles I. (1631), of a tenement in Broad Strete, late in occupation of Thomas Hayward, in length from the fore part formerly the Black Friars, 30½ taylers' yards, and in breadth, from the house of Thomas Pense, on the east, to that of Thomas Chetle, gent., on the west, 9½ yards, at a rent of 20*s.*

Seal lost. 983

The Bailey [1].

Release by Alice, daughter of Gervas le Meler, of Worcester, widow, to Thomas of Southebury, and his heirs, of all claim in tenements in the Bailly.

Witnesses: John Osbern, John Comyn, bailiffs of Worcester, Pain Burgeys, Richard M . . . . . gh (*cissor*), and others. Fragmentary.

Seal lost. 984

Grant by Thomas, son of Thomas Sturdi, citizen of Worcester, confirming to Richard of Hyndewyke all his land in the Bailly of the castle of Worcester, from the King's way to the tenement of Robert Lester, in length 20½ rods measured by the pole, and 5½ rods in width.

Witnesses: James Aubyn, Robert Batayl, bailiffs of Worcester, Walter of Vrle, Simon le Seynter, Richard Siremon, Robert Lemarin, William Gefferey, Nicholas Taylor, Robert Lester.

Seal, in green wax: A fleur-de-lis, S' TH . . . ST . . . 985

[1] The outer ward of the Castle.

Grant by Walter, son of Osbert, son of Baldric, to the Elemosinarius of Worcester Priory of a messuage in the feoff of the bailiffs of Worcester, next land which Alexander, son of Warin, held, for which he gives 20*s.* in Gersuma.

Witnesses: William Sebrond and John Pergamenarius, Provosts, Adam, son of Roger, John Ruffe, Henry Fustar, Walter the Cook, Richard Piment, John, son of Stephen, Philip de Ecclesia, Fulc, and many others.

Endorsed "Sudbury Street."

Seal lost. 986

Grant by Robert le Mercer of Worcester confirming to the Prior and Convent in pure alms a messuage which Symon, son of Richard of Hyndwyke, his brother, held in la Baillie towards the Castle ditch, and reaching in length from the way to the church of the blessed Peter the Great to the land of John le Franceys, and in width from the way to the church of St. Peter the Less to the grantor's curtilage.

Witnesses: John Osbert and William Colle, bailiffs, Roger of Stanwey, Mathew of Hallawe, Henry of Oxford, and many others.

Seal lost. 987

Grant by William, son and heir of William le Ange of Worcester, to Clement, son of Duraunt, citizen of Worcester, for fidelity and service, of a messuage in the Bailly of the castle of Worcester, situated between land of Roger le Large and that of Robert le Brasur, paying to the house of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2*s.* yearly.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and William le Dissere, bailiffs, William of Pidele, William le Mercer, John Alexander, William of Salop, Robert Batayle, and many others.

Seal lost. 988

Grant by Edith, widow of Simon Chyterlyng of Hyndewyke, citizen, quitclaiming to the Prior and Convent of Worcester all her right in 5 messuages with their appurtenances within the Bailly of the Castle of Worcester, which they held by gift of Robert le Steor, lying between his land and that John Francis sometime held.

Witnesses: Walter le Enneyse, Walter Roculf, bailiffs of Worcester, John Comyn, William Colle, Henry of Aston, Richard le Mercer, Stephen le Loksmyth, and others.

Seal lost. 989

Grant by Simon, son and heir of Richard, son of Simon of Hyndewyke, confirming to Robert Ster his uncle, and Christiana his wife, a messuage in

Le Bayle, against the castle ditch, reaching from the lane to the church of St. Peter the Great and to the house of John Frances, and in width from the way to the church of St. Peter the Less to the land of the said Robert.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John Comyn, bailiffs of Worcester, James Aubyn, John of Estleye, Richard Seneschal, John Osbern, Roger of Stanewey, William, son of Geoffrey, Philip of Hyernors, Adam le Flecheour, and others.

Seal lost. 990

Grant by Clement, son of Duraunt, citizen of Worcester, to Richard of Hyndwyk, citizen of the same, of a tenement in the Baylly, which he bought of William le Ange, for fidelity and service, at 2*s*. rent.

Witnesses: Henry Coyntrel, Walter of Derl, bailiffs, William of Piddele, John Alexander, Simon le Seynter, Robert Lester, Richard Syremon, Nicholas le Payler, William Milts, and others.

Fragment of green seal: . . . ., E. M. 991

Grant by John, son of Robert de Folye, confirming to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Pitanciarius, the messuage he held by the gift of Alice, widow of John of Pyplynton in le Bayly, situated between the tenement of the Pitanciar . . . . and that of Sir Walter de Cokesey, knight, ..., and reaching to that of the abbot of Pershore.

Witnesses: Robert de Foly, ... Stanewey, Robert le Dekene. (Much faded and spoilt by damp.)

Dated 24 Edward I. (1295-6). Seal lost. 992

Grant by Isabel, relict of John of Persore, quitclaiming the Prior and Convent in a tenement in le Bayle, situated between that of Ralph le Payller and the holding of John of Seldesleye, which she had by gift of John, her man.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comin, William Colle, Henry of Astone, Roger of Stanwei, Richard le Mercer, and many others.

(*Circa* 1296-7.) Seal lost. 993

Grant by John le Persore, citizen, to the Prior and Convent of a tenement between that of Ralph le Payller and that of John of Scheldersleye, in le Bayle.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Henry of Astone, Roger of Stanweye, Richard le Mercer, and others.

Seal lost. 994

Grant by Alice de la Folye, widow of John of Pipplynton, confirming to Nicholas, son of Robert de la Folye, her brother, a messuage next the tenement of Sir Walter de Cokesay, knight, reaching from the way towards St. Peter's the Less to the tenement of the Abbot of Pershore, paying to Adam of Croppethorn and his heirs a peppercorn rent.

Witnesses: William Goule, John his son, Roger of Walecote, clerk, Robert de la Folye, William Roculf, Walter Coyntrel, then bailiff, William le Carter, Henry of Aston, and others.

(*Circa* 1296-7.) Seal lost. 995

Release by Agnes, daughter of John of Scheldeslegh, citizen, to Roger of Metane, tanner, of all claim in a tenement lying in le Bailly next that of the Prior, and against the castle ditch.

Witnesses: Richard Cole and Adam at Pirie, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, William Rokulf, John le Caretter, Thomas of Braunsford, and others.

Worcester, Monday, in St. Edburgh, 31 Edward I. (1302).

Seal lost. 996

Baker Street (*in S. Swithin's*).

Grant by John Galin confirming to Geoffrey, son of William Jordan, for his service, his land *in vico pistorum*, lying between that of John Suarrt, on the one side, and that of Geoffrey, which he held of Cecily, daughter of Humphrey le Herbenir, at 32*d.* rent to the Lord of the Feoff, and to Cecily a pair of gloves.

Witnesses: William Sebrond and John Percamin', provosts, Adam, son of Philip, John Coun', Richard, his son, Peter Colle, Robert de Byham, Philip the dyer (*tinctor*), Richard of More, Jordan Pigmy, William Roculf, Robert Hod, Thomas Will, clerk, Nicholas Spicer.

Seal lost. 997

Grant by Agnes[1], prioress of Cochulle, confirming to James Aubyn 12*d.* rent which she had of Robert Neel out of an oven *in vico pistorum*.

Witnesses: Walter de Derley, John, son of Osbert, bailiffs, John Alexander, Pain Burgeys, William Utren, John of Estleye, Robert Batayle.

(Before 1290.) Seal lost. 998

Grant by Richard de Chiterling and Joane his wife to sustain the light of St. Mary in the greater church of Wircester a rent of 2½*d.* out of a land of Simon le Broethre, in Baker Street, situated between land of Richard Neel on the north and the land of Margery Swert on the south.

[1] Agnes of Alyncestre.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and Henry Coyntrel, bailiffs, James Aubyn Walter of Horley, John of Astley, John Lony, Richard Neel, and many others.

Seal lost. 999

Release by John Comyn, citizen of Wircester, quitclaiming Richard le Mercer of all claim in 24*d.* rent out of tenements *in vico pistorum*, between the tenement of Henry of Brocton and Richard of Burton, baker.

Witnesses: Richard le Bellyeter and Stephen le Loksmith, bailiffs, John le Caretter, William Colle, Peter Colle, Richard of Burton, William Sprot.

Wednesday after Ascension, 29 Edward I. (1/01).

Seal: A budding branch, SIGILLVM : VERVM : TE : GERO. 1000

Release by John Tebaud and Ingritha his wife, quitclaiming to John of Grafton, baker, and Edith his wife all right in a tenement between the tenements of Matilda Sprot and Alan le Fatte in Baker Street, which he held "by our gift."

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Geoffrey le Mercer, bailiffs, John le Mercer, John Lony, William le Carter, Alan le Fatte, Walter Sprot, Adam in the land, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Thursday in St. Valentine, 18 Edward II. (1325).

Two seals lost. 1001

Grant by . . . . to Richard Prych of Worcester of all claim in 2*s.* rent out of tenements which Richard Neel and Clement the tanner (*pelliparius*) held, in the street which leads by Baxsters street.

Witnesses: William Colle and Stephen Loksmyth, bailiffs, John Comyn William Rokulf, Thomas de la Hurst, Richard le Belyeter, John of Feckenham.

[1] Worcester, Feast of St. Peter in Cathedra, 30 Edward I. (1302). 1002

Grant by Ingritha, wife of John Tybaut, releasing to John of Grafton, baker, and Edith his wife all claim in a tenement her husband held in Baxter Street. (The bounds are given above.)

Witnesses: Peter de Cruce and Henry Goseye, bailiffs, Alan le Fatte, Walter Sprot, Roger of Sallon, Walter of Wittel, Adam Tholon, and others.

Worcester, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4 Edward III. (1330).

Seal lost. 1003

[1] On the lower margin is part of a letter in French, addressed to Richard Bryd, Richard Cadin, and the provost of Fladebury.

Lease by John le Mercer to Richard Macias, citizen, of a tenement in Baxstere Street, between that of Richard and the tenement of John le Herde.

Witnesses: William Rogulf, bailiff, William le Carter, John Lony, Walter Sprot, John le Herd, Walter of Wenlak.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Oswald, 10 Edward III. (1336).

Seal lost. 1004

Lease by Richard Pole and Alice his wife to Thomas Mannyng of a tenement in Baker strete, between that of John Perkes and the tenement of William Miles.

Witnesses: Geoffrey Fryer, Thomas Rumpnor (?), bailiffs of Worcester, John Walton, Richard Walker, Richard Oseney, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Nicholas, 21 Henry VI. (1442).

Seal lost. 1005

Lease by Prior Thomas[1] to Geoffrey Brandon of Worcester of a tenement in Baxstere stret, between those of Thomas Throckmorton and Roger Long.

Feast of Saint Simon and Saint Jude, 4 Edward IV. (1464).

Seal defaced. 1006

Lease by Robert Alchurche, sacrist of the priory, to Rowland Hyndstoke of Worcester, corveser, of a tenement in Baxstere street, formerly in the tenure of Henry Coryer, and situated between a tenement of the king on the north and that of John Banham on the south, at 8*s.* rent.

Dated on the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 19 Henry VIII. (1528).

Seal: A stork. 1007

Bond of Thomas Hollway, goldsmith, to Prior William More, to keep covenant touching the lease of tenements in Baxstere street, 6 Aug. 25 Henry VIII. 1008

Lease by Dean Willis to Susan Phillippes of a tenement in Baxster street, now occupied by John Pytt, weaver, having on the east side the tenement of Richard Fathers, dated 25 November, 27 Elizabeth (1584).

1009

Lease by Joseph Hall, dean of the Cathedral, to John Hollaway and Mary his wife, 25 November, 17 James I. (1619), surrendering a lease

[1] Thomas Musard.

granted to Richard Nash of a tenement in Baxter street, situated between that of the Cathedral and a plot of waste. On the dorse is a memorandum dated 28 May, 1649, certifying that Richard Nash conveyed the tenement within named to Thomas Mannyng of Worcester, who settled it on Johan his wife, by his last will, and on John Haryleton of Worcester, gent., who married his daughter Anne, and who now settle it on Henry Taylor upon his marriage with Margaret Houghton.

Seal lost. 1010

[Lease to John Crone, of a tenement and garden in Backster Street, late in the tenure of Thomas Payne, butcher, and lying between the tenement occupied by Godfrey Harvey on the north and that of Humphrey Fitcher on the south, with a frontage to the Fore street of 5¼ yards, and reaching to a garden of Richard Stephens, clothier, 22 tailor's yards.

Signed and sealed.] 967

No. 1011 is not a Worcester deed.

Worcester, The Bar (? St. Clement's).

Notification by Nicholas, son of David of Pechesley, that if Amice his daughter, on the death of John Judeus, her husband, claim dower out of a house in the street towards the Barr, which he gave the Prior and Convent, he the said Nicholas and his heirs are to make compensation to Amice.

Witnesses: Alured Drapar, William of Pidele, provosts, Thomas of Stok, Thomas of Malmesbury, clerk, Roger of St. Godwal, Richard Clericus, William Gareford, Ingram Aurifaber, Geoffrey of Pechesley.

Seal lost. 1012

Quitclaim by Adam, son of Jordan, to John, son of Richard Judeus, of all claim in a rent of 18*d.* with services, &c., out of a messuage next land of Gilbert Wille.

Witnesses: Roger of Oxon, Adam, son of Peter, provosts, John Priche, Richard Juvene, John Craddoc, Walter Borewold, Walter of Worcester.

Seal in green wax: A griffin SIGILL ADE FIL IOURDANI. (Early 13th century.) 1013

Release of Adam, son of Jordan, to John, son of Richard Judeus.

Witnesses: Robert Nel and Robert of St. Godwal, provosts, John

Priche, John Cradon, Walter Juvene, Walter Borewold, Walter of Wygmore, John of Dorne, Thomas Wille.

Seal, as the last. 1014

Grant by John, son of Richard Judeus, with the assent of Amice his wife, to the Elemosinarius of Worcester Priory, of a house and curtilage in the street towards the Barr.

Witnesses : Alured Drapar and Adam of Pidele, provosts, Robert of St. Godwale, Richard le Clerk, William Gareford, Nicholas, son of David of Pechesle, Ingram the Goldsmith, Geoffrey of Pechesley.

Seal lost. 1015

Grant by William Cleve and Thomas Andrewes, citizens of Worcester, leasing to John Aysshton and Thomas Eburton, clerk, all their tenement situated without the bridge over the Severn in Crepulegate street, at the corner of Le Barregate, between the tenement of the Prior and that of the Cathedral Church of Worcester.

Witnesses: Richard Oseney and Thomas Walsale, bailiffs, Robert Poleyn, John Porter, and others.

19 Henry VI., 23 February (1441).

Seals : 1. A hawk trussing a hare . . . . VIRTS . . . . 2. Crowned R., and palm branch. 1016

Deed certifying that Joan, wife of Henry Fortey, called Bocher, holds to farm of John Brooke a tenement in the Bargatte, for the life of Lessee at 4*s.* sterling. 4 January, 36 Henry VI. (1458).

Seal lost. 1017

Worcester, Barton field.

Lease by William Thomas, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter there, to Edward Solley, 25 November, 19 Charles II. (1667), of the plot of arrable land near the city of Worcester, called Barton Field, at a rent of 7*s.* 10*d.* a year.

Signed and sealed. 1018

Worcester, the Bishop's Palace.

Lease by the Prior and Convent to Thomas Weme, notary of Worcester, of a tenement next that of a house belonging to the sacrist, at the gate to the Bishop's palace in the Sanctuary: and in the parish of St. Michael, between the house adjoining the wall of the palace, in which Agnes de

le Palace formerly dwelt, and the tenement of Roger Breteor, to be held according to the custom of the city, at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Dated in the chapter house of the Cathedral church, 20 September, (1508).

Seal lost. 1019

Worcester, Bishop's Street (Palace Yard, in St. Alban's).

Lease by Prior John[1] to John Lord, glasyare, of a tenement William Negh held between the court of the Bishops and the tenement of Henry de Bredford, mason (*cementarius*), reaching to Byshop's strete, 43 feet in length, and in width to the cemetery, 40 feet.

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 36 Edward III. (1362).

Seal lost. 1020

Worcester, Brand Orchards.

Lease, dated 9 June, 1 Mary (1554), by Philip Halford, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter of the same, to Thomas Colyng the elder, clothworker of Worcester, of the leasowes and meadows called Brand Orchards, formerly in the tenure of Roger Astley and Thomas Bodye of Worcester, and now in that of Hugh Ashby, clothier, to hold on the expiration of the lease in 1564 for 21 years, at a rent of 20*s.*

On the dorse is a memorandum dated 7 April, 6 Elizabeth (1564), whereby Thomas Colyng the elder delivered to Richard Wield and Margaret his wife the said lease.

The signature marks affixed are of interest as merchants' marks.

Seal lost. 1021

Worcester, Bridport[2] (in St. Andrew's).

Grant by Geoffrey Aurifaber, son and heir of Ralph Aurifaber, of Ludelawe, confirming to Robert Bonner, citizen of Worcester, for fidelity and homage 3*s.* 6*d.* rent, which Walter of Derleye paid from a plot between land of Reginald of Marteleye and William of Wrothloke, by the Bridporte, at a rose rent.

Witnesses: John of Estleye and John son of Osbert, then bailiff, James Aubyn, Robert Batayle, William Caretano, John Cumin, William son of Osbert, Adam of Kynvare, Geoffrey Hubet, Richard Priour, Peter Squibs.

Seal lost. 1022

[1] John de Evesham.

[2] Older form Britteport. A.-S. Brytta, port, Brytta being gen. pl. of Bryttas, meaning Britons. Port usually gate, but often in the A.-S. sense of town. (Letter from Prof. Skeat.)

Grant by Matilda, widow of Richard Neel of Worcester, to God and the Blessed Virgin Mary, and to the Prior and Convent, to support a light in the chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the greater church of Worcester, in pure alms, 12*d.* rent out of the tenement of Nicholas, son of Andrew, opposite the house of Geoffrey Cayforth.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys, John Comin, bailiffs of Worcester, James Aubin, John of Esteleye, William Frend, William Calabre, John Loni, and many others.

Seal lost. 1023

Grant by Matilda Neel, widow, confirming to John, son of Walter Edwyne, clerk, 12*d.* rent out of a tenement which Nicholas, son of Andrew, held in Bridport, opposite the house of Geoffrey Cayfort.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John of Esteleye, bailiffs, James Aubin, Walter of Derely, Richard the Baker, Henry of Feckyngham, Simon of Poywyk, Simon le Mercer, and others.

Seal lost. 1024

Grant by William, son of William of Gregori, citizen of Worcester, confirming to Robert Macy, citizen, a shop in Bridport, between land of the grantor and that of the grantee, at 6*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys, bailiff, and Robert of Batayle, Walter of Roffe, Adam of Kynefare, Richard of Hasele, John of Rysenbruge, James le Felawe, and many others.

Seal lost. 1025

Lease by Richard Steyn, of Wich, son and heir of (?) Richard . . . . and Matilda le Bulfe his wife, confirming to John le Hopere, citizen of Worcester, all land with the houses built thereon in Huksterstrete, between land which was Julian Soreles' and le Britteport, at 4*s.* 6*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Henry Coyntrel and Robert of Poywick, bailiffs, William of Pidele, James Aubin, Pain Burgeys, Walter of Derley, John, son of Alexander, Walter le Mercer, Robert Batayle, Peter le Peet, Thomas le Knit, Roger of Scheldesleye, John Francis, William Petit, Roger of Leminstre, and many others.

Fragment of green seal. 1026

Grant by Thomas Mongomery, citizen of Worcester, to Master John of Merstone, rector of St. Swithun[1], Sir Thomas . . . , Sir John Estre,

[1] Instituted 31 Oct., 1356.

all his tenements in the Bridport, between a tenement of the rector of All Saints and that of Agnes Crompe.

Witnesses: Richard Lorbagge, Richard atte Mere, bailiffs of Worcester, . . . Plomer, John of Hynton.

Worcester, Thursday next St. Faith . . . . (1356-61).

Seal lost. 1027

Grant by William of the Mill[1] to God and the Blessed Mary, and to the confessors, Oswald and Wolstan, of all his tenements and rents in Bridport, viz., a tenement between that of Henry of Astone and that of Reginald of Bruyton, and another between that of William Colle and the shop of Robert of Pydele.

Witnesses: Adam of Kynvare and John le Caretter, bailiffs of Worcester, John Osbert, John Cumin, William Rokulf, William Colle, Henry of Astone, William Quoynttrel, Richard le Mercer, and others.

(*Circa* 1292.) Seal lost. 1028

Fragment of a lease by Richard, called 'Prior,' citizen of Worcester, to the Prior and Convent of 3*s.* 6*d.* rent out of a tenement which Walter Rysyngbrugge held in Britteport, next that of Grantor.

Witnesses: John Caretter and . . . . . Mercer, John Comyn, Adam of Kynefare, Robert Bonour, and others.

Seal lost. 1029

Grant by John of Lench, citizen of Worcester, confirming a grant of Robert Batayle of 3*s.* 4*d.* rent to the light of the chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary, out of a tenement in Brideport, between that of Matilda Beaufitz and that of William atte Lyndene, in Brideport, reaching from that street to the tenement which Mathew Aubyn, by his last will, left to the Prior and Convent.

Witnesses: William Colle and Stephen le Loksmith, bailiffs of Worcester, John Comyn, John le Caretter, Thomas of Domyard, and others.

Seal lost. 1030

Lease by William, son and heir of John le Hopere, citizen of Worcester, quitclaiming to William of Intebergh, corveser and citizen, and Joan of Coderugge his wife, and their heirs, all his right and claim in 2 tenements between those of Thomas of Braynsford and Richard Parchmener in le Bridport reaching from the said street to the tenement of Roger Lony, at a rent of 7*s.* 6*d.*

[1] The gifts of William were given in 1292. Ann. Wyg. p. 509.

Witnesses: Richard Coliz, Richard of Evesham, bailiffs of Worcester, John Comyn, Thomas of Braunsford, Roger of Scheldeslegh, Henry Partritch, Richard Adam, Adam of Pidele, Philip of la Folye, and others.

Worcester, Tuesday in St. Michael, 32 Edward I. (1304).

Seal lost. 1031

Grant by Alice, widow of John le Hopere of Worcester, quitclaiming to William Aurifaber, and Isabel his wife all claim in two messuages and a shop, which they had by gift of William Roculf, junior, between le Brideporte and the tenements of Roger Gnawbon, and reached to that of William of Inteberrowe.

Witnesses: William Carter and Ralph Tolwardyn, bailiffs, John le Mercer, John Lony, Walter of Longene, William of Inteberewe, Roger Gnawebon, John Dalby, clerk.

Worcester, Thursday after the Inv. of the Holy Cross. 17 Edward II. (1310).

Fragment of a green seal: A star . . . . E . . . . LE 1032

Grant by William of Hallowe to Elena of Hallowe, daughter of his brother, of a certain plot of land lying between that of Richard Mathewe and that of John le Mercer in the Bridport, and reaching from the said street to the tenement which John of Welly holds for life.

Witnesses: John Lony, Thomas . . . . . , Henry of Malverne, Robert le Carpenter, Robert le Hoper, Philip . . . . .

Worcester, Monday in the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 5 Edw. III. (1331).

Much faded. Seal lost. 1033

Release by John, son and heir of Richard le Parchemener, to William Aurifaber, of all right in a tenement with its appurtenance, which William held of William Roculf in Briteportestrete.

Witnesses: Walter of Wenlak, and Walter of Wotton, bailiffs of Worcester, William of Pudleswyke, Roger Lyon, Robert le Hoper, and others.

Worcester, Monday in St. Eadburg, 12 Edward III. (1338).

Seal: An Agnus. ECCE AGNUS DEI. 1034

Release by Joane of Coderigge, widow of William of Inteberewe, citizen of Worcester, releasing to William le Goldsmyth all claim in a tenement in Brideporte, between the tenement of Master Walter Medicus and that of the said William.

Witnesses: Walter of Wenlak and Walter of Wotton, bailiffs, John Huwy, William of Pudleswyke, Roger Lony, Richard Gibbesone, Robert le Hopper, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 12 Edward III. (1338).

Seal lost. 1035

Lease by Robert of Shesbarewe to William de Hallowe of all his life interest in a tenement in Bridport.

Sunday, in Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 18 Edward III. (1344).

Seal lost. 1036

Worcester, Bridge (in St. Clement's).

Grant by Thomas, son of Ralph Leger, with the assent of Emma his wife, quitclaiming to God and the Blessed Mary and to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, a messuage next his house by the Severn bridge, and its curtilage, which is of their feoff, and lies between their curtilage and that of Richard Chamberleng, reaching to the ditch, at *12d.* rent.

Witnesses: John, parson of Bradwas, Thomas of Stok, Simon of Lodifer, John le Perchen', Richard le Chamberleng, Richard Judeus, Ralph, son of Siward, Robert Pride, Roger de la Hulle, and many others.

(12th century.) Seal lost. 1037

Grant by Simon Priche, citizen of Worcester, to Henry of Bristoll, citizen of the same city, of a curtilage near that of William le Bissare and lane to the Severne Bridge, next the garden of the monks, and in length from the curtilage of John Page to the Severne Bank outside the city, paying to the Prior and Convent 6*d.* yearly.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and Henry Conterel, bailiffs, Richard Priche, Henry of Feckenham, John Lungo, John of Poywicke, Thomas le Wallers, Hugh le clerk, John Cradan, and others.

Seal lost. 1038

Lease by John [1], Prior of Worcester, to John le Chesar of the same, Isabel his wife, and Richard their son, of a tenement near the Bridge. Vigil of All Saints, 1350.

Much faded. 1039

[1] John of Evesham.

Lease by John Oliver, Dean of the Cathedral, to Margaret Bach of a tenement late in the tenure of Henry Bach, deceased, in the parish of St. Swithin, adjoining the east end of the Severn Bridge, and extending to the city wall, at 10*s.* rent. 7 November, 12 Charles II. (1660).

Signed and sealed. 1040

Worcester, Broad Street (? in St. Martin's).

Grant by Henry Prior of Worcester, to Randolph of Boclynton (?), of a tenement *in lata platea*, between that of the grantor and that of Laurence the skinner, and reaching in length from the street to the garden of Richard Rhand, at 25*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John Comyn, bailiffs of Worcester, James Aubyn, Robert Batayle, ... Poche, Roger of Plopresbury, Robert Bonour, Richard le Spycer.

Seal lost. 1041

Grant by Henry called le Pilchar, citizen, confirming to William Caretter 8*d.* rent, out of a tenement Rondolph of Cotinton held in Brodestrete, situated between that of Randolph and a furnace there.

Witnesses: John of Estle and John, son of Osbert, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, John Comyn, Henry Poche, Roger Salop, Rondulf of Cotinton.

Seal: A star S' HENRICI LE PILCHAR (*circa* 1279). 1042

Grant by David Pistor, citizen of Worcester, confirming to the Prior and Convent in pure and perpetual alms, to the use of the pitanciarius, a tenement which Richard Allheyl held in Brodestrete, between land of Richard Cok and Henry the Chaplain.

Witnesses: John of Estley and Henry of Aston, bailiffs of Worcester, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, John Cumin, John, son of Osbert, William the Caretter, and others.

Seal lost. (*Circa* 1280.) 1043

1044 See High Street.

Quitclaim by Adam, son and heir of Collyng Pelliparius, to Richard of Mynstreworthe, burgess of Gloucestre, of all claim in lands next the tenement of Clareice de Marisco in Brodestrete.

Witnesses: John of Estley and John Comyn, bailiffs of Worcester, James Aubyn, John, son of Osbert, Simon Francis, Walter Lenveyse, Hugh of Grete, Walter Muriel, William Schirnac, and others.

Seal lost. 1045

1046 See High Street.

Deed witnessing that John of Radeston of Worcester has delivered peaceable seisin of a tenement in Brodestrete to Sir Richard Talbot, knight, which he claimed in kinship.

Witnesses: Adam of Pydell, William of Stouwe, William Roculf, William of Martleye, Hugh de la Holt, William de la Hethe, and others.

Worcester, Monday after St. Peter, 6 Edward I. (1277).

Seal lost. 1047

Grant by Alice Wene of Worcester to Richard Tolus and Agnes Mose his wife, of a tenement lying between that of Pain Burgeys and that of John of Seldesleve in the broad place of Worcester, in length from that street to the tenement of John le Hopare of Worcester.

Witnesses: John of Estleye and John, son of Osbert, bailiffs of Worcester, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, John Comyn, Henry Poch, and others.

Worcester, Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 8 Edward I. (1280).

Seal lost. 1048

Grant by Walter Quoyntrel, citizen, confirming to John, son of John Faber of Aston, a tenement in the south side of Brode strete, between those of Richard le Mercer and Richard of Bereburn.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Richard of Ledbury, bailiffs, John Cumyn, ... Loksmith, William of Bereburn, Peter le Marechale, William le Wite, and others.

Dated Worcester . . . . St. Michael, 27 Edward I. (1298-9).

Seal lost. 1049

Grant by Richard Bagard, *appothecarius*, citizen of Worcester, and Edith his wife, to Agnes, daughter of Simon de la Benwe (?), *carnifex*, of a tenement *in vico lato* between that of Roger of Salop and Geoffrey of Northinton.

Witnesses: Richard Colys and Adam of Pirie, bailiffs, John Cumyn, John le Carice, John Lony, and others.

Worcester, Feast of Holy Trinity, 31 Edward I. (1302).

Seal, lozenge-shaped: A pelican in piety, SUM PELLICAN 1050

Grant by William de la Hulle to Sir John of Braunsford of a tenement in Brodestrete next the . . . . of the abbot Jondrel on the one side, and a lane called Dolday on the other, and reaching from Broad Street to the tenement the "Sacfreres" held.

Witnesses: William Roculf and William of Hodynton, bailiffs. (On the dorse is a letter in French from Prior Wolstan to Richard of Worcester, chaplain of the king, in answer to his request that *un polain* might sojourn in the Priory.)

(Between 1317—1339[1].) Seal lost. 1051

Quitclaim by John of Grymenhulle, chaplain, son and heir to John of Grymenhulle, citizen, to Henry Sweter, baker, and Joane his wife, daughter of Adam of Whatecroft of Northfield, of a tenement *in lato vico*, situated between that of Master William de la Heth, carpenter, and that of Richard Macias.

Witnesses: Peter of Greote and Henry Goseye, bailiffs, John Lony, William le Carter, Walter of Wenlak, Hugh of Holte, William of Rippel, John of Malverne, Richard atte Wold, John Dalby, clerk.

Worcester, Monday in the morrow of St. John the Baptist, 4 Edward III. (1330).

Seal lost. 1052

Lease by John le Mercer to Ralph le Wheler, citizen, and Alice his wife, and John their son, of a plot between the tenement of Agnes of Lyndebrok and that of John la Russhe in Brodestrete, at 7*s*. rent.

Witnesses: William Roculf and John of Redyng, bailiffs, John le Russhe, William Wheler, Hugh of Holte, John of Colewelle, William of Wanelak, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Wednesday in St. Luke, 6 Edward III. (1332).

Three Seals: 1. Circular, an eagle displayed. 2. Circular, a falcon striking its quarry. 3. A buckle? S' JOHIS DE GVLIUMTO. 1053

Lease by John of Wolde, chaplain, citizen, to Richard Wanfot, citizen, of a tenement between that of John Macias and Richard Brown, *in lato vico*, reaching to the tenement of Thomas de Clodeshale.

[1] See Appendix.

Witnesses: John Spelly and Philip Bartelot, bailiffs, John le Belzetar, John Canon, Henry ate Lynde of Cumbe, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Denis, 25 Edward III. (1351).

Seal: A figure of St. Katherine, S' 1054

Grant by Elyas le Taylour, of Brodestrete, and Agnes his wife, to Robert of Wold and Denise his wife, a . . . . in Brodestrete.

Witnesses: William Pitchiswyke and Adam of Feckenham, bailiffs of Worcester, John of Malverne, John of Derneward, John le Wacare, Hugh of la Holte, Walter of Wenlak.

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 9 Edward III.

1. Seal: A hawk trussing a goose. 2. A lion . . . CVOLE . . . 1055

Lease by John[1], Prior of Worcester, to John, son of John del Rok, of a tenement in Brodestrete, from Feast of St. Philip and St. James, 37 Edward III., viz. that between the tenement which Master William de la Hethe, carpenter, held, and that of Henry Suetour *in lato vico.*

Witnesses: John Taylour and John Macias, bailiffs, John Crowle, Robert Baret, Richard of Leye, John Deyar, John Alcestre, and others.

Seal lost. 1056

Grant by John Sweter, rector of Stretton-upon-Fosse, son and heir of Henry Sweter, citizen of Worcester, to Master John the Hale, rector of St. Clement's, Worcester, William Asteleye, chaplain, John Seggesbarow, John Kyrkeby, junior, of a tenement between those of the Prior and John of Alcester *in lato vico*, reaching to a vacant plot of the Friars Preachers.

Witnesses: Richard Cowarne, John Nicolas le Dyar, bailiffs, Henry Thweston, William Caymard, Robert Baret, John Alcestre, John Goldsmith, and others.

Worcester, Thursday next Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 49 Edward III. (1375).

Seal, in red wax: On a chevron between 3 lion's heads, a crown. On either side lions as supporters. SIGILLUM TH . . . . EI . . . . E. 1057

Quitclaim by William Asteleye, chaplain, and John Kyrkeby to John Seggesbergh, clerk, of a tenement between one of the Prior and Convent and that of John Alcestrie, in the Brodestrete.

[1] John de Evesham.

Witnesses: Robert Stevenes and Hugh Oldbury, bailiffs, Richard Senesmore, Walter Haile, Vincent Taverne, John Neweman, and others.

Worcester, Monday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 16 Richard II. (1392).

Three seals lost. 1058

Lease by John Prior of Worcester, to Thomas Tylar of Worcester, of a tenement in le Brodstret between the tenements of the said John on the east, and John Ombresley on the west, appertaining to the office of the Sub-prior of the Cathedral church, and reaching from the street to the land of the Friars Preachers.

Worcester, Vigil of Christmas, 28 Henry VI. (1449).

Seal: A gem. Mercury. Sigillum . . . va . . . 1059

Lease by Prior John[1] and the chapter to William Sergeant, mercer, of a parcel of meadow in the Prechcroft belonging to the office of Sacrist of the Cathedral Church, and a shop (*Taberna*) under the tenement of William Specheley in Brodestrete, in the parish of St. Nicolas, where William formerly dwelt, at a rent of 20*s*.

Dated on the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1 Henry VIII.

Seal: A talbot. 1060

Worcester Castle (in St. Peter the Great).

Grant by Robert Lester to the Prior and Convent of 2*s*. rent, to maintain a light in their cellar (*Cellario*), out of a tenement which Simon Schyterling held on the castle ditch, between that of William Blanchard and the way to the church of St. Peter the less.

Witnesses: John of Estleye and John Cumin, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, Richard Senescal, Roger of Staneweye, William Geffrey, Henry de Coderugge, and others.

Seal lost. 1061

Grant by Walter de Lega confirming to Robert Lester, for fidelity and service, a plot of land on the foss of the castle, between land of Richard le Brazur and William Blanchard, measuring 21 rods by $5\frac{1}{4}$.

[1] John Weddesbury.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys, Walter of Derleye, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Henry Coyntrel, John Alexander, Richard of Henewyke, William Blanchard, John Turet, Nicholas of Sarterya, William Geffrey, and others.

Seal: A star. S' WALTERI DE . . . . . IE. 1062

Precept of the Crown, directed to the Sheriff of the county of Worcester, *re* the session of Justices of the Peace, at the Castle of Worcester, on Tuesday next the Feast of St. Michael, to empanel six loyal men of the Bailiwick, to try the suit of the King, versus William Wenlok, Prior of Worcester, one of the monks there, John Beauper of Worcester, gent., Richard Wood of same, yeoman, John Datand, yeoman, John Read, John Colyns, yeoman, Roger Gardyner, gardyner, Richard Brasyer of same, John Boughton, fishemonger, William Horseley, yeoman, John Hill, yeoman, ... Coke, Thomas Newey of Bedwardyn, William Unhyll, yeoman, Richard Frewes, Ranulph Gower, gent., Thomas Smith, yeoman, Thomas Carter, yeoman, William Coke, yeoman, John Sharre, Richard Carter, carter, William Symnys, baker, John Wenne, junior, maultman, William Boulter, labourer, Thomas Kyngett, Hugh Boyne, yeoman, Richard Boyne, yeoman, Nicholas Boyne, William Prior, Henry Chestur, whether they are culpable of diverse riots, or no.

Dated Warwick, 2 September, 9 Henry VII. (1494).

Panell inter dominum Regem et Willielmum Wanlok priorem Ecclesie Cathedralis Beatae Mariae Virginis Wigornie et alios, etc.

Willielmus Graye.	*Jur.*
Rogerus Walwen.	*Jur.*
Ricardus Fryer.	. . .
Thomas Galtys.	*Jur.*
Robertus Solley.	*Jur.*
Johannes Bargh.	*Jur.*
Johannes Knottesford.	*Jur.*
Johannes Barcrofte.	*Jur.*
Ricardus Grymmett.	*Jur.*
Georgius Glover.	*Jur.*
Johannes Frewen de Langdon.	*Jur.*
Johannes Nash, junior, de Ombresley.	. . .
Edwardus Wraynford.	*Jur.*
Johannes Robyns.	. . .
Willielmus Custen, senior.	. . .
Thomas Ibulle.	. . .
Johannes Savage de Powyke.	[*erasure.*]

Henricus Collewyke.	. . .
Johannes Kyng de Hanley.	*Jur.*
Robertus Turner } de eadem.	. . .
Robertus Hyggs }	
Johannes Barkeley.	. . .

Quilibet jur. predictorum monitus est per nos Henricum Cale. }
—Walterum Cale. }

1063-4

Lease by Joseph Hall, Dean of the Cathedral, dated 23 June, 19 James I. (1621), to Richard Hall of Kempsey, surrendering a lease made 25 November, 1608, by Edward Archbold, gent., for 40 years, and demising to him the new House wherein Frogmore Cockett, gent., dwelt, with two gardens and half a bay of the old building next the garden, being part of that old building demised by them to Marie, wife of Christopher Helme, having on the west the orchard of Dr. Hammer, and on the south the grounds of the castle, and on the north the garden of Dr. Hammer, and an old building in possesion of Mr. Pritchard, one of the prebendaries, at 5*s.* rent.

Seal lost. 1065

Worcester, College Gate (Edgar Tower in St. Michael's).

Lease by Henry Hull, and Robert Warmstrey, bailiffs of the city, and Thomas Bonner, John Coucher, gents., aldermen, and George Stynton and Richard Lewis, chamberlains, to Francis Willis, D.D., the Dean, of a waste plot near the great gate, viz., so much of the little plot of voyde land without, and the table board adjoining near the great gate of the Cathedral Church called College Gate, 23 feet long by 14 wide, to set a pale there or otherwise employ it, for a term of 40 years, at a rent of 4*d.* yearly.

30 June, 37 Elizabeth (1595).

Seal lost. 1066

Worcester, Cook Street (Copenhagen Street in St. Helen's).

Quitclaim by Willam Rydepot, rector of the church of Salwarppe, to Thomas Tolwerdyn of Worcester, and Joan his wife, of all claim in a tenement which Thomas Robines of Salewarppe held in Cokestrete, between those of Hugh Cok, and John Beomound (?).

Witnesses: John Couper and Richard Halle, bailiffs, Thomas Belne, John Bardenleye, Thomas Beors, Thomas Stabolde, Adam Burgh, and others.

Worcester, Sunday in St. Leonard. 18 Richard II. (1395).

Seal lost. 1067

Grant by Joane Tolwardyn of Worcester, widow, confirming to John Bemounde of Worcester, a tenement in Cokynstrete, between that of the Prior and that of Sir John Bemounde, and reaching from the street to the tenement of William Whytely.

Witnesses: John Bredon and William Mere, bailiffs of Worcester, John Malley, Hugh Oldebury, Thomas Stabolde, and others.

Worcester, Friday after St. Matthew, 3 Henry IV. (1402).

Seal lost. 1068

Lease by Arthur Lake, Dean of the Cathedral, and the chapter there, to Anne Streete, widow, and to John Cox, clothier, both of Worcester, 25 November, 6 James I. (1608), surrendering a lease, dated 25 November, 19 Elizabeth (1576), to Richard Street and Anne his wife, and Francis their son (now deceased), a tenement in Cooken street, reaching in length from the street to the ground of Thomas Hayward, 11 yards, and in breadth from John Will's ground to the tenement of John Pytt, 4½ yards, for 40 years.

Seal lost. 1069

Indenture dated 25 November, 20 Charles I. (1644), between Christopher Potter, D.D., Dean of the Cathedral Church, and Margerie Cheale, alias Chedle, executor of the last will of Richard Cheadle of the Middle Temple, and Thomas Taylor of the Precinct, clerk, yielding up a capital messuage and lease, dated 25 November, 13 James I., viz. of a tenement in the High Street next that of Thomas Porter, butcher, late in the occupation of Dorothy Eaton, and formerly of Alice Ward, widow, now held by Richard Ward, butcher, on the south, and reaching to the small tenement on the corner of Cooken Street on the north, late belonging to the church of St. Helen, and reaching on the west into Cooken Street to the tenement of William Gower, butcher, formerly held by Christopher Digleton, gent., and the tenement adjoining, at a rent of £26 17*s*.

Signed and sealed. 1070

Indenture dated 3 December, 20 Charles (1644), between Christopher Potter, D.D., Dean of the Cathedral Church, and chapter, citing a lease to

Margerie Cheadle, alias Chedle, of the house above named, granting leave to Margerie and Thomas Tayler to sublet the same.

Signed. Seal lost. 1071

Lease from William Thomas, D.D., Dean of the Cathedral, to Edward Thomason of Worcester, clothier, on the surrender of a lease dated 17 November, 16 Charles I. (1641), of a tenement in Cooken Street, in length 22¾ yards, and reaching in breadth in the street side between the tenement late in occupation of Francis Wilson and now of John Jakeman, barber, chirurgeon and Innholder, and the stable of Richard Wood, butcher, on the east, and a tenement of Mathew Handy on the west, and at the back those of Robert Frizer and Richard Smith, Innholder, at 14*s.* rent.

Signed. Seal lost. 1072

Worcester, The Corn Cheping Street (Corn Market in St. Martin's).

Grant by Philip, rector of the church of St. Martin's, to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, of the messuage Alexander the Draper held.

Witnesses: Master Nicholas of Preston, Stephen of Colleby, Sir Henry, rector of St. Nicholas, then Dean of Worcester, Sir William, rector of All Saints, Henry Cointrel, Walter de Bosco, Richard of Revenshull, and others.

Seal lost. 1073

Grant by Alexander Draperius of Worcester to Philip, rector of St. Martin's, of a capital messuage in the feoff of John, son of Henry de Tapenhall, with an exit to the street by the house of Agnes Cradan, 35 rods in length from the land of Richard de Broet to the corn market (*forum bladi*), and in width 16½ rods, between land of the said church and several messuages.

Witnesses: Philip Cointrel and John Cradan, bailiffs, Peter Colle, Philip Fouk, Adam, son of Peter, Richard Coun', Richard the Clerk, Roger of Gron, William of . . . ., William Francshon, Osbert, son of Vidun, Adam, son of Payn.

Monday before Feast of . . . ., 34 Henry III. (1249-50).

Seal lost. 1074

Grant by Nicholas called Alhaylle, chaplain to Thomas de la Holte, for homage and service of a tenement between that which Sir Nicholas of

St. Martin held, and that which William of London held, opposite Cornechepinge, at 8*s.* rent.

Witnesses: William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Rokulf, Henry of Aston, Walter Quoyntrel, Thomas de la Hurst, and others.

(1293.) Seal lost. 1075

Grant by John Alhaylle, citizen, to Sir Nicolas his son of all the tenement between that of Sir Nicholas of St. Martin and that of William of London, in Cornechepyngstrete.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Henry of Brutton, Geoffrey of Astwode, Hugh Gurry.

(1296-7.) Seal lost. 1076

Worcester, Corveser Street (Fish Street in St. Helen's).

Fragment of a grant by Juliana, widow of . . . ., to the Prior and Convent of a tenement in Corveser strete.

Seal lost. 1077

Grant by Christiana, widow of Peter de Wyke, knight, to God and the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the shrines of St. Oswald and St. Wlfstan, of 8*s.* rent out of a tenement in Corveser Strete.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Philip Fuke, bailiffs, James Aubyn, John Alysaundre, Walter le Mercer, Robert Batayl.

Seal lost. 1078

Lease by Prior Richard to John, son of Reginald of Shcheldesleye, of a shop *in cornera corvisorum*, in length from the corner to the land of Ralph the Corveser in the street of corvesers, and in width from the corner to that of Clement the Cordwainer *in alta platea*, at 2*s.* rent.

Witnesses: John, son of Alexander, and Roger of Persor, bailiffs, William of Pidele, Walter le Mercer, James Aubin, Pain Burgeys, Alexander Edwayne, William of Beverley, Henry Turald, Peter Peet, William Sing, William of Warewyke, Ralph le Corveser, and many others.

Seal lost. 1079

Grant by John of Scheldesleye, citizen, to Hugh of Holte, draper, of 5*s.* out of his shop, between that of grantor and the tenement of Thomas of Dene, corveser, in the street of the corvesers, at 5*s.* rent.

Witnesses: William Roculf and John Lony, bailiffs, John Comyn, Thomas of Bransford, Alan Cissor, Thomas Colbert, and others.

Worcester, Monday after Translation of St. Thomas, 2 Edward II. (1308).

Seal lost. 1080

Grant by Alice le Hopere, widow, to William Rokulf, junior, of Worcester, of a tenement in Corveser strete with all its rights, &c., and three shops adjoining, and 7*s.* rent out of the tenement of William of Yntheberg, cobbler, and 12*s.* rent received by the said William Rokulf for two shops situated between that of William of Ynteberg and the tenement of Roger Gnawebon in the parish of St. Andrew's.

Witnesses: John le Mercer and Richard Adams, bailiffs of Worcester, William Rokulf, senior, William of Ynteberg, Richard Bretoun, chaplain, and others.

Dated Worcester, Thursday after St. Martin, 14 Edward II. (1320).

Seal lost. 1081

Quitclaim by Alice, widow of John le Hopere, to William the goldsmith, of a tenement in which Thomas Cobbe dwelt, and the shop of Ralph Cobbe in Corveserstret, and from the street to a tenement of Thomas Cros in Golde Cros and that of William le goldsmith.

Witnesses: Robert of Sevenhampton and Peter of Radeston, bailiffs, Thomas Gros, Thomas of Dene, corveser, Gilbert de Foresta, Walter del Rok, John of Whytonton, and others.

Worcester, Sunday in the Purification of Blessed Virgin Mary, 19 Edward II. (1326).

Seal lost. 1082

Fragment of a lease by Richard Crompe, corveser, to Cecily, ...

Witnesses: . . . . . John of Hornyngwold, ... Walter of Merton, Roger . . . .

Edward III. Seal lost. 1083

Lease by Prior John Malverne to John Bredon, mason (*cementarius*), and Joan his wife, and Alice his daughter, of a tenement in the corner of Corveser Street, reaching from the corner to the tenement of Master John Bredon, 4½ rods, and from the said corner to that of Master John aforesaid, 3 rods, paying to the Tumbarius 12*d.*

Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 22 Richard II. (1398).

Seal lost. 1084

Grant by Richard Oseney to William Gorewey of Worcester, barbour, of a tenement in Corveser Street which John Gorewey, father of William, held, situated between the tenement of John Frewen and John Barette, and the tenement Thomas Lygon held, reaching to the garden of Laurence Chelve.

Witnesses: John Ombresley and Henry Deppyng, bailiffs, John Colman, David Taillour, Henry Cardinal, and others.

Worcester, Friday in the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 24 Henry VI. (1447).

Seal: A male head. 1085

Worcester, Cripplegate (in St. Clement's).

Grant by Alice, daughter of Philip of Mathine, to the church of God and the Blessed Mary of a tenement in Crupplegate strete, lying between the tenements of John and Richard Prich, and reaching from the street to the Priory garden.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John Comyn, bailiffs, John of Estley, William Cradan, Geoffrey of Lawarn, Adam the Smith, John Lony, and others.

(Early 13th century.) Seal lost. 1086, 1087

Grant by Alice, daughter of Robert Wenne, widow, with the assent of John her son, to the Prior and Convent of a messuage in Crupplegate, between land of Robert Bataile and Stephen le Scypsmith.

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, and Alexander Foxwelp, Provosts, John Cradan, Walter of Wyggener, William Pride, and many others.

(Early 13th century.) Seal lost. 1088

Grant by Christiana, widow of Sir Peter of Wyke, confirming to God and the Blessed Virgin Mary, for the souls' sake of her ancestors, and to the light of the shrine of St. Wlfstan, 2*s*. rent out of the house of Thomas Wells in Eport situated between the house of Robert Aumori and the furnace of Thomas.

Witnesses: John Alexander and William Dischar, bailiffs, William of Pidele, Pain Burgeys, William of Kemesey, John Cradan, John Page, and others.

(Early 13th century.) Seal lost. 1089

Grant by Edith Toky of Fekenham, confirming to the Prior and Convent a messuage next that of Richard Prich and William Sage, and reaching from Crupulgatestrete to the garden of the Prior.

Witnesses: John, son of Osbert, and John Cumin, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, Richard Senescall, and others.

(Early 13th century.) Seal lost. 1090

Grant by John Strecche to the Prior and Convent of a tenement in Cripplegate.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John of Estleye, bailiffs, James Aubyn, John Alisaunder, William Frend, John Lony, Peter Alisaunder.

Much faded. Seal lost. 1091

Grant by Gunnilda, daughter of Richard Prych, to the Prior and Convent of a messuage with its curtilage in Crupilgate stret, between land of the two parties, and reaching from the street to the garden of the Priory.

Witnesses: Walter Lenneyse and John of Picheseys, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, Richard Senescall, Robert Amory, Walter Cradan, and others.

Seal lost. 1092

Grant by Nicholas Scissor of Poywyk, confirming to the Prior and Convent for the use of the Gardener all the land between that of the said Gardener and that of Geoffrey de la Heth, and from Crupelegatestrete to the land of the gardener.

Witnesses: James Aubyn, Walter le Mercer, Richard Prich, John Cradan, William Pride, and many others.

Seal lost. 1093

Grant by Amisius of Eport to Osbert the deacon, son of Siward, of all the land which was Salomon's in Crupelgate. Rendering yearly 5*s*.

Witnesses: Walter, clerk of Eport, Walter le Frances, Walter Wille, then provost (?), Richard Poher, John his brother, Richard the Jew, William the Gardener, and the Hundred of Worcester.

12th century. Seal lost. 1094

Grant by William Lony, citizen of Worcester, to God and St. Mary, to the use of the Gardener, all the land with its buildings, which he bought of Walter of Wyggemore, in Crupelgatestret, lying between the land of Henry le Hunte and William le Dyssere, and 1*d*. rent which the said Henry paid from land Grantor bought of John de Bosco.

Witnesses: Richard Prich, John Cradan, Henry le Hunte, William Pride, John Lony, Gervase of Guiting, Richard de Cruce, and others.

Seal lost. 1095

Grant by Richard of Timberdine to the Prior and Convent in pure alms of a messuage in Cruplegatestrete, between the capital messuage of William le Hunte and land of Edith Toky, and reaching to the ditch of the Prior's garden.

Witnesses: John of Astleye and Henry of Astone, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, Walter Cradan, Walter of Muedone, William Brutun.

(Early 13th century.) Seal lost. 1096

Grant by Matilda, daughter of Solomon Coc to William le Tillar, all the land he had by gift of Solomon Coc, her father, and Agnes Madertera held in Cripullegate between land of . . . . and of Walter Borewold.

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, Geoffrey Pete, provosts, Walter of Borewold, Walter of Wigmore, John Cradan, John Priche, Richard Borewold, William Pride, William le Hunte, Aylwin Godmon, Philip of Maltmeme, Gerard Parchmentarius, William Godmon, and many others.

Seal lost. 1097

Fragment . . . . in the presence of William Clyve and Thomas Malverne (? bailiffs), [Geoffrey] of Abyndon and Margery of Brauntesford his wife, made a feoffment to [Richard] of Synteleye, vicar of the church of Hallow, and Richard and John, prestes, of a toft in Crepulgate (English).

Seal lost. See No. 1101. 1098

Grant by Richard Gladwyne of Hodyntone, and Christine and Margery, daughters of William le Disscher, to the Prior and Convent, of a plot of land in Cripplegatestret on the Severne bank, between lands of the grantors on both sides.

Witnesses: William Roculf, Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Henry of Astone, Adam of Kemseye, Walter Cradan, John Borewold, Richard Prich, and others.

(1296.) Seal lost. 1099

Grant by Robert Betryche of Worcester to Thomas of Braunsford all the tenement and garden between that of the Prior measuring 34¼ rods on the East part, and 60 rods in width in Crippulegate strete.

Witnesses: William of Martley and Adam of Predyt, bailiffs, John Lony, Richard le Belyeter, William le Cartere, Nicholas le Crompe, Stephen of Wenlak, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Wednesday in St. Michael, 1 Edward II. (1307).

Seal lost. 1100

Grant by Geoffrey of Abyndon and Margery of Brannsford his wife, attorning Geoffrey Newemon, janitor of the Prior, to give seisin to Richard of Synteleye, vicar of the church of Hallow, to Sir James of Ree, and Sir John of Froucestre, chaplain, of our two tofts in Worcester, one in la Knolle, between the tenement of Simon of Ancredam and the toft of Alexander of Befford, and the other beyond the bridge in Crupulgatestret.

Dated Wyardeswodehalle, 2 February, 9 Richard II. (1386).

Seal lost. 1101

Grant by William of Evesham and Elizabeth his wife, confirming to John Symondes, taylor, and Joane, his wife, a tenement in Crepulgate strete on the banks of the Severne, by the way leading to Layghtonscourte (?).

Witnesses: Richard Norton and John Frewin, bailiffs, Robert Twartonere, William Halle, smith, William Betton, and others.

Worcester, Tuesday after Corpus Christi, 3 Henry V. (1415).

Two seals lost. 1102

Grant by Robert Poleyne of Worcester to William Rumney of Lulsley of his tenement in Crepulgatestrete in the corner of the Barregate, between land of the Prior and that of the lane to Leyghton Court.

Witnesses: John Ombursley and Henry Comin, bailiffs, William Olyve, William Halle, John Archere, Ricard Wyneyard, Thomas Denton, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 19 Henry VI. (1441).

Seal: The letter H crowned. 1103

Grant by John Symondes, citizen, and Joane his wife, to John Grene, chaplain, vicar of Bromesgrove, Nicholas Hambury, esq., William Ree, citizen, John Fysshare of Worcester, of a tenement next the bridge over the Severne in Crupulgate strete, in a corner at Le Barregate, between the tenement of the Prior and a lane leading to Le Layghton Court, which they had by the gift of Ralph Wyke of Evesham, and Elizabeth his wife.

Witnesses: Henry Newdyk, John Halle, grocer, bailiffs of Worcester, James Swynnarton, William Myles, Hamund Smethewyke, and others.

Worcester: Wednesday in the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 13 Henry VI. (1435).

Two seals lost. 1104

Grant by Henry Vorthey, bocher, and Joane his wife, to William Rumpney of Tulsey, John Andrew of Heith, and William Jonys of

Worcester, of a tenement in Crepilegate, in the corner at le Barregatte between a tenement of the Prior and the lane towards Leyghton Court.

Witnesses: John Ombersley and Henry Comyn, bailiffs, Robert Hethe, Richard Mylward, John Lechmar, and many others.

Worcester, Monday after Holy Cross, 20 Henry VI. (1442).

Two seals lost. 1105

Grant by William Rumney of Lulsey to Henry Vorthey, bocher, of Seynt Jonys, and Joane his wife, of a tenement in the suburbs without the Severn bridge.

Witnesses: John Ombursley and Henry Comyn, bailiffs, William Clyve, William Halle, Richard Wynezard, John Arche, Thomas Denton, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 20 Henry VI. (1441). (Fragmentary.)

Seals: 1. A hawk striking a rabbit. . . . . 2. Fragment of a shield. Three fleurs-de-lis in fesse between two bars gemelles. 1106

Lease, dated 25 November, 1690, from the Dean and Chapter to William Walten of St. Clement's, clerk, of a toft and cottage with a garden, late occupied by Edward Woodward, glover, in Cruplegate, and reaching to Kitchener's close.

Signed and sealed. 1107

Indenture between Arthur Lake, Dean of the Cathedral, and Anthony Barnes of St. John's, yeoman, for surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 27 Elizabeth, granting to Richard Inginethropp two tenements at the west end of the Severne Bridge, in Crupplegate, formerly in the occupation of Anne Robins, widow, and now of William Perks, tanner, situated between those of Thomas Berte and Morgan Markeley, for 40 years, at 5*s*. rent.

Seal lost. 1108

Worcester, Cuthroat Lane (in St. Clements').

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to John Hawoll of Worcester, of a parcel of meadow in St. Clement's next the lane called Cutthrote lane.

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1 Henry VIII. (1510).

Seal: A monogram, T. H. 1109

Worcester, [1] *Dudley (now Diglis).*

Grant by Robert le Mercer to the Prior and Convent of all the claim Robert, son of Richard the clerk, held in Dudleye, without Worcester, from le Pullesdich to the meadow next the Hospital of St. Wulfstan, and from the Severn to a meadow of the Bishops.

Witnesses: William le Poer, knight, Master Peter de la Flagge, Robert Blanckette, Ralph . . . . of Kemesey, Richard of Pechesleye, Walter of Collewike, and others.

Seal lost. 1110

Demise by Berta, relict of Richard of Colewyke, to the use of the Sub-prior of a plot of land in Duddeleye, without Worcester, for life, at 3*s.* 6*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Robert Blanket, William of Abendun, William of the Grene, Adam the Smith of St. John's, Richard of Pechesley, and others.

Seal lost. 1111

Lease by William Clyfton, sacrist of the Priory, to John Orchard, hosyer, and Elinor his wife, of a meadow called Dudley, extending along the Severne to le Horselesowe, at £6 rent.

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 5 Henry VII. (1490).

Seal: A Bird. (? A falcon) holding in its beak a buckle 1112

Worcester, [2] *Eport (in all Saints').*

Grant by Martin, son of Marcher, confirming to the Prior and Convent 6*s.* rent, which H. Flokesmud held in feoff in Eport.

Witnesses: Master Robert of Clipestun, Dean of Worcester, William Colle, Peter, son of Peter, provosts, Amicus of Eporte, Robert of Bisham, Alexander of Ofre, Gerard Vinitor, Thomas, son of Edulf, and many others.

(12th century.) Seal lost. 1112a

Quitclaim by Alice, daughter of John Davies, to Hugh Cratforde and John Goode of all right in a tenement in Eportstrete, next the cross there, formerly in the tenure of Humphrey Dedicote, dyere.

[1] A.-S. Duddan leah, Duddan being genitive of the common A.-S. name Dudda, and leah is field, i.e. Dudda's field. (MS. letter from Prof. Skeat.)

[2] *Eport.* Perhaps E represents Ew. (A. F. *ewe*, water). Port is the A.-S. *port*, borrowed from Lat. [*Ibid*].

Witnesses: John Fukkes, carpenter, Richard Davyes, Bartholomew Russel, and others.

Seal lost. 1113

Quitclaim by William, son of William le Hornere, citizen, to John of Brannesford, chaplain, son and heir of John of Brannesford, of a tenement between those of Robert of Hereford and John le Pynnare in Eport, and reaching to a lane called Dolday.

Witnesses: William of Martleye and Adam of Pydele, bailiffs, Richard le Belyeter, John . . . , William Caretarius, Walter of Poywyke, John of Benhale, William of Herdewyke, Hugh le Hoper, and others.

Worcester, 15 March, 10 Edward II. (1317).

Seal lost. 1114

Grant by Walter le Usher, of Kemeseye, citizen of Worcester, confirming to John de Pendok 3*s.* 6*d.* rent, which he had out of tenements of Adam le Smith of Bedewurthyn, and Thomas le Dyer, between that of the Priory and the lane leading from their curtilage to the street called Crepelgatestrete, and 4*d.* rent out of the tenement of Thomas the Dyer, situated between the tenement of Robert of Herdewyke and that of Adam le Hornere, in Eport strete, and 3*s.* rent out of the tenement of Richard Macias, situated between that of Henry de la Hyde, butcher, and that of Dennis atte Wold, in the Brodestrete, and 1*d.* rent out of the tenement of John Coyntrel, situated between that of Robert Comyn and the shop of Richard, son of Gilbert, on the high street.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Richard Macias, bailiffs, John Lony, William le Carter, Henry le Carter, William of Benhale, Hugh of Holte, John of Dernewall, John his son, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Friday in St. Peter in chains, 11 Edward III. (1337).

Seal lost. 1115

Grant by John Broke, citizen, to Richard Petur and Alice his wife of a tenement in Eport, situated between the Bridge and the tenement of David Wattis, dyare.

Witnesses: John Jonys and William Turnour, bailiffs, John Waters, Richard Mors, aldermen, Richard Collewyk, John Frethorn, John Archer, John Glover, and others.

Dated 28 Jan. 1 Rich. III. (1484).

Seals lost. 1116

Indenture made at Worcester . . . . next St. Thomas the Ap., 18 Ric. II. (1394), between Thomas Belne and Walter . . . . Ayle, Aldermen, John Cowper, Richard Hall, bailiffs, ... Basell John Beoden, Henry . . . ., Robert Stevenes, Hugh Oldbury, Thomas Beore, Richard Norton, John Barnes, John Suckeley, John Prestbury, Thomas Stabold, William Hamden, William Mere, dier, and all the city, demising to Thomas Sekhulle, citizen, a plot of land in Eport between the tenement of William Newemon and the said street, and reaching from the land of St. Wulstan's to the Highway at 12*d.* rent.

Fragment of the seal of the Bailliwick. 1117

Grant by William Berton of Coventre, hosyer, and John Lee, citizen of Worcester, confirming to William Newemon, dyer, and Elizabeth his wife and their assigns, their tenement with shops in Eport, situated between the tenement of Isabel Walkere and the Severn Bridge reaching to the stone wall.

Witnesses: Thomas Belne and William Pigon, bailiffs, John Malley, William ? Mere, John Walker, and others.

Dated Worcester, Tuesday next SS. Fabian and Sebastian, 9 Hen. IV. (1408).

Two seals lost. 1118

Power of attorney by Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury, Legate, Walter Scull, Knight, Master John Stokes, Clerk, Richard Chokke, Sergeant-at-Law, William Laken, Sergeant-at-Law, Roger Wynter, John Campyon, and John Trimnell, Attorning John Monke and John Lowe of Worcester, to give seisin to David Wattis, dyer, of Worcester, and Alice his wife, of a tenement in Eport.

Dated Thursday before St. John the Bapt., 1 Edw. IV. (1461).

Seven seals lost. 1119

Deed of Thomas [1], Archbishop of Canterbury, William Scull, knight, and Richard Choke, Justices of the King, attorning John Monke and Richard Barker to give seisin to Hugh Herbache in a tenement in Eport, lying between the Severn Bridge and the tenement of David Dyer, and from that street to the city wall.

Epiphany, 9 Edward IV. (1470).

Seal lost. 1119a

Lease by Robert Multon, Prior of Worcester, to Henry Archer, draper, of a tenement in Eport or le Keynstrete, between the tenements of Thomas

[1] Thomas Bourchier.

Lange and land of Thomas Bewdeley, paying to the Master of the chapel 8*d.* rent. The bond to keep the agreement is dated 4 May, 1 Richard III., and is sewn to the margin of the lease.

Michaelmas, 1 Richard III. (1483). Seal, a capital I. 1120

Grant by John Canynges, formerly of Worcester, glover, and Walter Badland, to Alice Petur alias Wattis, relict of Richard Petur, all the tenement she held in Eport strete, situated between those of William Gregge and Richard Newdyke.

Witnesses: William Lane and William Muckel, bailiffs, Richard Hawkes, Richard Whytem, and others.

Dated, October 6, 15 Henry VII. (1499).

Seal lost. 1121

Lease by Thomas Cropthorne, Tumbarius of Worcester Priory, Michaelmas, 7 Henry VIII. (1515), to Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Pennell, Boice Moseley, and Thomas Yomans, executor of the will of Robert, of a tenement in Eport strete, between that of the Pitansary in the tenure of Humphrey Dedicote and the Severne bridge, at 10*s.* rent.

Three seals lost. 1122

Lease by Roger Stanforde, Tumbarius of Worcester Priory, to John a Combes and Elmor Hickmons of a tenement in Eport, between a tenement of the Pitancyarye of the Priory, that of Humphrey Dedicote, and the Severne Bridge, for 41 years at 10*s.* rent.

Feast of St. Andrew, 26 Henry VIII. (1534).

Seal lost. 1123

Lease by William[1], Prior of Worcester, to William Dodynge, citizen of Worcester, Michaelmas, 26 Henry VIII. (1534), of a tenement in Eport, late in the tenure of Nicholas More Walker, and situated between those of John Wylmynton and Richard Brassy, at 21*s.* 8*d.* rent.

Seal lost. 1124

Lease by William Hanbury, master of the chapel, to John Mounslowe and Margaret his wife, and Kenelm their son, of a tenement at the

[1] William More.

corner of Eport, or Le Keyne strete, between a tenement of the chantry of Suckeley and land of Thomas Beudeley, carpenter, at 5*s.* rent.

Michaelmas, 27 Henry VIII. (1535).

Three seals: 1. Two keys in saltire. 2. The letters H H above a tun. 3 as 1. 1125

Lease by William Hanbury, master of the chapel, to William Mounslow and Margaret his wife, and Kenelm their son, of a tenement in Eport.

Michaelmas, 27 Henry VIII. (1535).

Seal: H H over a tun. 1126

Lease, dated 25 November, 16 Charles II. (1664), between Thomas Warmstrey, D.D., Dean of the Cathedral, and Thomas Baker, assignee of Richard Dedicott, clothier, late of Gloucester, and Joane his wife, both deceased, on his surrender of the lease made to them the 24th March, 11 Elizabeth (1568), of a tenement in Eporte, or Neweporte street, by the Seaverne Bridge.

Signed and sealed. 1127

Worcester, Foregate (in St. Nicolas').

Grant by Cristina Batayle, wife of Robert Batayle, citizen, to the light of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the priory church of Worcester, for her soul's sake, of 6*s.* 3*d.* rent, out of two houses without the Forzat, between land of Henry of Tapenhale and Robert le Sayle?

Witnesses: Henry Coyntrel and Peter Peet, bailiffs, John Aubin, John, son of Alexander, Walter le Mercer, Pain le Burgeys, Walter de Derley, Henry Peche, John of Estley. . . . .

(Before 1250.)

Two seals lost. 1128

Grant by the said Robert and Cristiana to Henry Selych, miller, of a messuage in Foregate street, between land of Henry de Tapenhale and that of Grantor's, from the King's way to that which Henry, son of Walter, son of Cristiana, held, at 3*s.* rent.

Witnesses: Walter Lemery and Peter Peet, bailiffs, William Muriel, Nicholas of Breuude, Henry of Tapenhale, Henry Willy, and others.

(Before 1250.)

Seal lost. 1129

Release by Nicholas, son of Simon Francis, citizen of Worcester, to William of Cestre, citizen, of all claim in 2*d.* rent, out of a tenement between that of Richard de la Zepe and the land next le Northdich, which leads from opposite Foregate to Whitstanesfeld outside that gate, at 12*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Walter le Enneyse and William Rokulf, bailiffs, John le Carettar, Robert of Wich, Nicholas of Claynes, and others.

Seal: A plumed star, SI NICHOLAI LE . AWNE . . 1130

Grant by William Colle, citizen of Worcester, to Nicholas of Uptone of a tenement between that of Henry Willy and that of Henry de la Bole outside the Forgate.

Witnesses: Wulfstan of Salop, bailiff, John Comyn, Walter le Enneyse, Robert of Wyche, John le Blound, Nicholas of Breewode, clerk, John of Tapenhale, Hugh Gurry, Adam Willy, and others.

Seal lost. 1131

Grant by Richard Bucke, citizen, and Cristiana his wife, to Henry le Bole, citizen, of a messuage between that of Reginald le Bole and Richard le Lorimer, without the gate of Foregate, at 12*d.* rent.

Witnesses: John, son of Osbert, and Walter Colle, bailiffs, Symon Franceys, Walter Lenneyse, Robert Croule, Reginald le Bole, Henry Willi, Nicholas of Brewode, Richard le Lorimer, and many others.

Seal: 1. A star, S' RIC . . . . 2. A star, S' CRISTIANE FIL RADVLF. 1132

Grant by Simon Gerneys, citizen of Worcester, confirming to William of Cestre a messuage without the gate of Foregate towards Losemore [1], between the land of Richard de la Flagge and the Highway, and reaching to land of Geoffrey of Hambury.

Witnesses: William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, bailiffs, William Rokulf, John Comyn, Peter Colle, and others.

Seal lost. 1133

Grant by Richard Muriel, chaplain, son and heir of Osbert Muriel of Worcester, to Isabel, daughter of Walter Muriel, his brother, of a messuage between that of Agnes, daughter of Richard de la Flagge, and the way which leads from the gate of Foregate towards the Severn, in the parish of the Blessed Nicholas of Worcester, at 4*s.* rent.

Hlos-mōr (Hlōses moor). (MS. Letter from Prof. Skeat.)

Witnesses: John of Estley and John, son of Osbert, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Burgeys, Robert Batayle, Henry Poher, William Caretar, Henry Will, William Basset, Henry of Tapenhale, Nicholas of Claynes, Reginald le Bole, Robert de la Flagge, and others.

Seal lost. 1134

Grant by Agnes, daughter of Robert Porter, citizen of Worcester, widow, to the Priory, of a messuage without le Foregate between those of Henry Coyntrell and Robert le Belleyeotere and the field of the Bishop called Prychcroft [1], reaching from the way without the Foregate towards Berebourne [2].

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys, Richard Styward, James Aubyn, Robert Batayle, Philip of Coderugge, Thomas of Bevereye, Hankyn of Tholewardyn, and many others.

Never sealed, (?) a copy. 1135

Grant by David le Loriner and Sibill his wife to William of Cestre of all his claim in a footpath outside le Foregate, between the Prichecroft and the tenement of Adam Willy, to hold for life.

Witnesses: Richard le Belyeter and Stephen Loksmith, bailiffs, Peter le Marshall, William le Whyte, William de Beverbourn, and others.

Worcester, Sunday on the morrow of St. John the Baptist, 29 Edward I. (1301).

Two seals lost. 1136

Quitclaim by William Colle, citizen, to Nicholas called Honycombe, the baker, of 5*s.* rent, which he paid out of a tenement between that of Adam Willy and John le Loriner, without the Foregate.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Quoyntrell, bailiffs, Nicholas of Claynes, clerk, William of Cestre, Hugh Gorry, John of Tapenhale, John of Feckenham, and others.

Worcester, Wednesday before St. Peter the Apostle, 25 Edward I. (1297).

Seal lost. 1137

[1] ? Prick-Croft, from *Prick*, a thorn, or Pritch a pointed pole. The spelling is not early enough to give a clue.

[2] A.-S. Beferburn, from A.-S. *Befer*, a beaver, and *burn*, a brook. Beavers were fairly common before the Conquest. (MS. letter from Prof. Skeat.)

(Grant by Richard Walter of Northwike and his wife to Adam de Wenlock of a messuage without the Foregate.)

. . . . 10 Edward II. (1316-17).[1] 1138

Release by Julian, relict of Hugh Gowy, citizen, to Sir William Cleynes, chaplain, of all claim in a shop of Forgatestrete, situated between the tenement of William and the door of grantor.

Witnesses: William le Caretar and Richard Gelbesome, bailiffs, John Lony, William of Stenwe, Richard of Tettebury, Philip le Smith, William Caysot, and others.

Worcester, Thursday after St. Valentine, 16 Edward II. (1323).

Fragment of seal: A hawk striking a rabbit. ALAS. . . . . IS. 1139

Grant by William, son and heir of Nicholas of Upton, citizen, to Sir William of Tapenhale, chaplain, of a tenement with curtilage between the tenement of John le Loriner and that of Adam Willy, and reaching from the Kingsway to land of the last named outside Foregate, by customary service.

Witnesses: William le Cartere and Richard Gelbersone, bailiffs, William of Stewwe, Richard of Tettebury, Philip le smith, and others.

Worcester, Tuesday after St. Luke, 16 Edward II. (1322).

Seal lost. 1140

Grant by John of Chester, son and heir of William of Chester, citizen, to John Lony, junior, citizen, of a vacant plot of land part of the common field of the city, lying between land of Adam Willy and the common ditch of the city in Foregate strete.

Witnesses: William Roculf and John of Redyng, bailiffs, William le Cartere, Richard of Tettebury, Richard of Alvechurch, John of Croule, John Elyot, Walter of Wenlake, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Thursday before the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 6 Edward III. (1333).

Seal: (?) an eagle displayed. (Very rudely cut.) 1141

Grant by Sir Henry of Ophampton, of Omberesleye, chaplain, confirming to John of Redyng a shop with a cellar in Foriatestrete, situated between a tenement of John and that of Richard the baker of Poywick.

[1] "From Peter Pratinton's notes."

Witnesses: William Roculf and Richard Macias, bailiffs, Peter of Treste, Richard of Alvechurche, John Eliot, and others.

Worcester, Thursday next St. Kenelm, 11 Edward III. (1337).

Seal: Adam and Eve, and the Tree of Life. LOVE WELL IN JESUS.

1142

Grant by Thomas Lynne of Cleynes and Alice his wife to John of Poywyke, draper of Worcester, of a tenement between that of Richard of Aluyechyrche and that John Mureyl held without the Foregate, reaching 44 ells from the king's way, to the tenement of John of Reddynge, and in width 7 ells.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Richard Macyas, bailiffs, Richard Burbagge, clerk, John of Redynge, Richard of Tettebury, Richard of Aluyechurche, John Elyot, and many others.

Worcester, Monday after the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Two seals: 1. An agnus Dei. ECCE AGNUS DEI. 2. A bird. LUL . . . .

1143

Grant by John Lony, citizen, to Richard of Hyndelep, chaplain, of a messuage outside Foregate, on the highway, upon the fosse of the city, and the curtilage of Reginald atte Broke, and another messuage there, between the king's way on the fosse and the tenement of Peter Edolf, and reaching to the curtilage of Peter Greote, and also a cottage at la [1] Lydyate, in the same suburb, between the cottage of John de Hedynge and la Sautweye [2], and also a curtillage outside the gate of St. Martin, between the close of Richard Lurbagge and the messuage of Walter Pacy in Losemerestret.

Witnesses: Thomas le Sheremon, bailiff, William le Cartere, Peter of Grete, John le Mercer, Henry le Caretter, Bernard le Skynner.

Worcester, 9 April, 17 Edward III. (1343).

Seal: A male figure kneeling before a saint holding an agnus dei? St. John, Evang. SIGILLUM JOHANNIS L . . . . .

1144

Grant by Innocentia (?), daughter of Simon Dyrggin, to John Skinner of all her claim in a messuage which was Henry Goy's in Voregatestrete, between that of . . . . and of Richard Bryd . . . . which William Walker of Wodehampton held.

[1] A.-S. *hlid-geat*, a swinging gate.

[2] A.-S. *Sealt Weg*, Salt way; or possibly *Saltera Weg*, when Saltera is the genitive plural of the Mercian Saltere, a salt worker, and hence Salters way.

Witnesses: Thomas of Tolwardyn and John of Alcestre, bailiffs,... Lorebagge, Peter of Intebarewe, Henry of Redynge, Thomas le Wheler, John of Halys.

Worcester, Feast of the Circumcision, 20 Edward III. (1347).

Seal lost. 1145

Grant by Nicholas the Dyer of Wick to John Macyas of Worcester of his curtilage next that of the chapel-master of the priory, in Forgate-strete.

Witnesses: Sylvester Gros and Thomas le Tynckere, bailiffs of Worcester, Richard Lonebrugge, John le Reddynge, John Bartelot, William Eliot, and others.

Worcester, Monday next Conversion of St. Paul, 25 Edward III. (1351).

Seal lost. 1146

Grant by John Macyas, citizen of Worcester, to Sir John of Tidenham, vicar of Overbury, and John of Shipstone, clerk, of a curtilage between that of Nicholas le Diyare of Wych and that of John Aylwyne, and reaching from that of John le Redynge to the curtilage of grantor.

Witnesses: Simon Cros and Thomas le tyncker, bailiffs, John of Redynge, Richard Lorebagge, John Canon.

Worcester, Thursday after the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 24 Edward III. (1350).

Seal lost. 1147

Release by John le Spenser of Defford to John of Todenham, chaplain, of his claim in 3*s.* 4*d.* rent out of a tenement Nicholas le Dyare of Wych held in Foregate strete, lying between the tenements of John of Redynge and John Blanket.

Vigil of All Saints, 25 Edward III. (1351).

Seal lost. 1148

Grant by Nicholas le Diyare of Wych and Cristina his wife to John of Todenham vicar of Overbury, of two tenements in Foregate, between those which Henry of Redynge and John Blanket held.

Witnesses: Simon Groz and Thomas le Tynckare, bailiffs, Henry of Redynge, John of Redynge, John Canon, citizens.

Worcester, Monday before the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 25 Edward III. (1351).

Seal lost. 1149

Quitclaim by Reginald of Hambury to Richard de Hyndelep and John de Shipstone, clerk, of all claim in a tenement in Foregate, between land of Richard de la Flagge and the way to Losemere.

Witnesses: William le Cartere, Thomas le Cartere, Nicholas of Rok, Walter of Longeneie, John of Redynge, with many others.

Worcester, Thursday next St. Thomas the Martyr, 26 Edward III. (1352).

Seal lost. 1150

Grant by Richard Lorbagge, citizen, to John of Doddenham, vicar of the church of Overbury, a curtilage Richard of Tettebury held in Forgatestrete, reaching from his curtilage to a field of the Bishop.

Witnesses: Thomas of Tolwardyn and Thomas Montgomery, bailiffs, John of Redynge, Thomas le Wheler, John Baskerville, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Barnabas, 29 Edward III. (1355).

Seal lost. 1151

Quitclaim by Alice, daughter and heir of John Baskerville of Worcester, to Robert of Eysbache, rector of the church of St. Martin, Richard of Athelescote, vicar of Wolverley, and Walter Colyns, vicar of the church of Cleeve Prior, of all claim in a tenement in Foregatestrete, between the lands of Henry de Tapenhale and Robert Batayl, and reaching from the king's way to lands which Henry, son of Walter, son of Cristina, held.

Witnesses: Thomas Lychfeld and Walter Hayle, bailiffs, John Powere, lord of Wychenford, John Cronle, John Bredon, John Sudley, Hugh Cok, John Barndesley and others.

Worcester, 5 December, 5 Richard II. (1381).

Seal lost. 1151a

Release by Simon Schovdon and Margaret his wife of Troubrugge, county Wilts, and Simon Priour and Helen his wife, to John Penfaxe, citizen, of all claim in a croft without the Foregate, between land of the Bishop called Whytstonesfelde and the curtilage of John of Redynge and reaching from land of Baldewin Wheler, Thomas Norton of Worcester, and Thomas Norton of Bristol, to that of the Bishop.

Witnesses: John Wolff, Hugh Daunteneye, Richard Raynel, John Somerville, Thomas Reymounde, clerk, and many others.

Troubrigge, Sunday after St. Andrew, 4 Henry IV. (1402).

Three seals: 1. The head of S. John the Baptist [CA]PVT JOH'IS 2. A capital B. RU . I IESU. 3. The B. V. Mary standing with attendants on either side, beneath a triple canopy having in the centre

a shield: three bars gemelles and an escutcheon, and in a lower compartment a demi-figure in prayer. C FRAT SWAR . . . . IVVETUR. . . .

1152

Grant by Isabell, wife of John Smyth of Doverdale, quitclaiming John Northampton and Johane his wife, and the heirs of John in a tenement with curtilage outside le Forgate between those of John Penfax and Henry Norton.

Witnesses: John Wode and Ralph Merston, bailiffs, Thomas Beore, John Malley, Thomas Frewyn, and others.

Worcester, Wednesday, the morrow of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4 Henry V. (1417).

Seal lost. 1153

Grant by Nicholas Meryhurst of Stretford-on-Avon, cousin and heir of John Huyet, to John Smith of Elmeley Lovet, of a tenement in Foregate strete between those of John Penfax and Henry Norton.

Witnesses: Mathew Redyng, John Dounton, Thomas Mulne, and many others.

Monday in Epiphany, 14 Henry IV. (1413).

Seal lost. 1154

Grant by John Meryhurst of Dudeley, cousin of James Huyot, citizen, quitclaiming John Smith of Doverdale of a tenement in Foregate situated between those of John Penfax and Richard Norton.

Witnesses: William Pygon, Hugh Hostyler, bailiffs, Richard Norton, John Breidon, Thomas . . . ., and others.

Monday in St. Aldhelm, 12 Henry IV., 1410.

Seal: An Ibex. 1155

Grant by John Smyth of Doverdale, dwelling at Elmeley, to John Northampton, carpenter, and Joane his wife, of a tenement outside Forgate between those of John Penfax and Richard Norton, which he had by feoffment of Nicholas Muryhurst of Stratford-on-Avon.

Witnesses: John Wode and Ralph Merston, bailiffs, John Malley, Thomas Beore, Thomas Frewyn, and others.

Worcester, Tuesday in Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary 4 Henry V. (1417).

Seal lost. 1156

For 1157 see after 1179.

Lease by William Clyfton, master of the chapel, to Henry Bozley and Mary his wife of a tenement in Forgate street, between the house of William Joly on the north and the tenement of the chantry of St. Helen's on the south, at 16*s.* rent.

30 June, 19 Henry VII. (1504).

Seal: 1. Two cinqfoils. 2. Lost. 1158

Lease by Thomas Myldenham, prior, to Gyles Feckenham and Alianore his wife, and John their son, of a tenement and garden in Foregate street between those of the master of the chapel on either side.

Michaelmas, 22 Henry VII. (1507).

Seal: 1. A Millrind. 2. A Merchant's mark. 3. Lost. 1159

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to Richard Godfry of Worcester, Tyler, and Joane his wife, of a tenement in Forgatestreet, between a tenement of the master of the chapel and that of John a Woode of Parsewell.

Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 20 Henry VII. (1505).

Seal: A monogram, V.S. 1160

Lease by John Weddisbury, prior, to Nicholas Mundy, brasier, of a tenement in Forgatestret, between that of Humphrey Swynnerton and the College of Westbury, in which Thomas Parker, brazier, dwelt.

21 September, 1 Henry VIII. (1509).

Fragment of seal. 1161

Lease by William Bordysley, master of the chapel, to Richard Cawdrey and Margaret his wife of a tenement in Forgate Stret between the tenement of William Joly on the north and that of the chantry of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the church of St. Helen on the south, and land of Humphrey Swynnerton on the east, to hold for life at 16*s.* rent.

F. of St. George, 24 Henry VIII. (1532).

Seal: W. B. 1162

Lease by the same to Richard Calveshulle, draper, of a tenement in Foryattstrete next those of the *magister communis cene* and the *magister capelle*, for 48 years, at 10*s.* rent.

Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 24 Henry VIII. (1532).

Fragment of seal. 1163

Bond by John Mathewes to William More, prior, to keep covenant.
Nativity of our Lord, 25 Henry VIII. (1533).
Seal: A capital B. 1164

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to John Clerk and Joane his wife, and Robert their son, of a tenement in Foryattstrete next that of Thomas Raulyns.
30 November, 2 Henry VIII. (1510).
Seal: A capital B. 1165

Bond by John Stayner to Henry Holbeche, Dean, to keep covenants.
Annunciation of the Blessed Mary, 35 Henry VIII. (1543).
Seal: I S. 1166

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to James Chapman of Worcester, labourer, of a tenement in le Foregate strete next that of the Master of the Chapel.
29 March, 5 Hen. VIII.
Seal: Crossed lines. 1167

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to William Toty, labourer, of a tenement in Forgate strete between that of the said Master and the Dean of Westbury, for 40 years, at 8*s*. rent.
23 March, 5 Henry VIII. (1514).
Seal: A Fleur-de-lis. 1168

Lease by the same to John Clerk and Joane his wife, of a tenement in le Foryatestret between the tenements of the Master of the Chapel on both sides.
23 March, 5 Henry VIII. (1514).
Seal: 1. A chevron between in chief letters I T, and in base three bull-rushes. 2. The monogram D.V. 1169

Lease by the same to Edward Hunt and Alianore his wife of a tenement in Foreyatestret between that of the Master of the Chapel and a house of the Dean of Westbury, at 5*s*. rent.
6 Henry VIII. (1514).
Seal lost. 1170

Lease by the same to Richard Hyggs, fuller, and Alice his wife of a tenement in Forgatestrete, 8 May, 8 Henry VIII. (1516), next the Hospice "called Trinitie," in which John Raynolds dwells, at 10*s*. rent.

Seal: T. 1171

Lease by Thomas Cropthorne, tumbarius, to Oliver Nevell, of a tenement between that of the Gylde of the Holy Trinitie and land of Humphrey Kempsey in St. Nicholas, in Foregatestrete.

20 August, 8 Henry VIII. (1516).

Seal lost. 1172

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to John Sowtheall, walker, of a tenement in Foreatt strete between that of the *Magister Communis Cene* and that of the *Magister Capelle*, for 61 years, at 10*s*. rent.

Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 10 Henry VIII. (1518).

Seal lost. 1173

Lease by Thomas Wolstane to John Mathewes, tylemaker, of a tenement formerly in the tenure of John Pynley, tylemaker, and situated between the way to the Pichecrofte and the tenement of the Master of the Chapel, for 30 years, at 21*s*. rent.

Christmas, 25 Henry VIII. (1533).

Seal: A capital B. 1174

Lease by Henry, Bishop of Bristol and Prior of Worcester, to Elianor Wyllyams, of a tenement in Foryate stret next that of the Master of the Chapel.

Michaelmas, 30 Henry VIII. (1538).

Fragment of seal. 1175

Lease by William Hanbury, master of the chapel, with the consent of Henry Holbeche, Bishop of Bristol and Prior of the Cathedral Church, to John Calowe, bailiff of Worcester, of a tenement in Le Foryattstrete next the Hospice called "le Trinite" in the tenure of William Hyggs and Alice his wife, and now of John Browne, salter, for 41 years, at 10*s*. rent.

May, 31 Henry VIII. (1539).

Seal lost. 1176

Lease by Henry Holbache, Dean of the Cathedral, to John Steynar of a tenement in le Foryate between that of William Joly on the north

and a tenement belonging to the chantry in St. Helen's church on the south, and land of Humphrey Swinnerton on the east, at a rent of 16*d.*

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 35 Henry VIII., 1544.

Seal : I B. 1177

Lease by Master John Barlo, M.A., Dean of the Cathedral, to William Sparry, gentleman, and Joane his wife, of a tenement and garden in the occupation of Edmund Taylor, weaver, in Foregate Street, for 60 years, at 10*s.* rent.

1 January, 3 Edward VI. (1550).

Two seals : 1. W S and a knotted cord. 2. A heart transfixed with two arrows in saltire. 1178

Bond of John Walker to the Dean and Chapter, to fulfil covenant.

25 November, 5 Edward VI. (1551).

Seal : I W. Signed. 1179

[Lease, dated 16 July, 1-2 Philip and Mary, by Philip Halford, Dean, to John Calowe, of a tenement in the Foregate at the corner leading toward Sawnson's style, having on the north part a tenement . . . . in the tenement of Richard Whelar, and on the east . . . . much defaced.

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Worcester, Friars' Street (in St. Helen).

[Grant by John Throckmorton, Esq., Richard Osney and Walter Whitchurche of Worcester, releasing to Richard Wykyng and Isabel his wife all claim in a tenement in Frerenstret between that of the Prior on both sides, and reaching from the street toward the city wall, which messuage Hugh Oldebury held, and which they had by feoffment of John Parker and William Coleman, and "because our seals are unknown that of the bailiffs of Worcester is affixed."

Witnesses : Hugh Boglyton, bailiff, Roger Barbour, John Parker, Ralph Marston, and others.

Dated Worcester, 1 Jan., 7 Henry VI. (1429).

Three seals : 1. Circular 1⅛ inch. An embattled gateway with closed doors, with fruiting branches on either side, possibly vines; on the sinister, the sun. Legend, S. BALLIVORVM CIVITATIS WYGORN'.

Seal 2 defaced. Seal 3 : F. crowned. 1157]

Lease by John Parker and William Colman, executors of the will of Matilda Oldebury, to Richard Wykyng and Isabella his wife, of a tenement in

Worcester, in Frerenstrete, next that of the Prior, and reaching to the street leading to the city wall. The tenement was held by Hugh Oldebury and Matilda his wife, paying to John Barenam during his life 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly.

Witnesses: Richard Oseney, William Boghton, bailiffs, Reginald Barbour, John Halle, Ralph Merston, and others.

Worcester, Tuesday after Holy Trinity, 7 Henry VI. (1429).

Three seals: 1. Seal of the Ballivate, Circular, a crenellated gate, flanked with vine? branches . . . . IVIT . . . . S WYC . . . . R. 2. A merchant's mark. 3. Fragmentary. 1180

Lease by William Brugge to Hugh Oldebury and Matilda his wife of a tenement in Frerenstrete between the tenement of the Prior and that of William Feckenham, and reaching from the street to the wall of the city; all claim in the said lease is hereby renounced by Roger Blaket and Agnes, wife of the grantor.

Sunday in the third week in Lent, 3 Henry IV. (1402).

Three seals lost. 1181

Lease by John Thokmorton, esq., Richard Oseney and Walter Whitcherch to Richard Wykyng and Isabel his wife, of their claim in the tenement Hugh and Matilda Oldebury held in Frerenstrete.

Witnesses: William Boughton, bailiff, Reginald Dalby, John Hall, Ralph Merston, and others.

Worcester, May 1, 7 Henry VI. (1429).

Seals: 1. An Ibex. 2. Fragmentary. 3. R. crowned. 1182

Grant by Thomas Coly, citizen of Worcester, and Isabell his wife, widow of Richard Wykyng, executors of his will, to Thomas Long and Richard Thomson of Wych, of a tenement and garden in Frerenstrete, which was Hugh Oldebury's and Matilda his wife's.

Witnesses: Hugh Joly and Richard Newman, bailiffs of Worcester, Richard Wolford, Richard Bykerstath, John Porter, and others.

May 31, 31 Henry VI. (1453).

Two fragments of seals. 1183

Lease and release of the same property in Frerenstrete.

Witnesses: William Coghton, bailiff, Reginald Barbour, John Halle, Ralph Merston, and others.

1 June, 7 Henry VI. (1429).

Fragments of 2 seals. 1184

For 1188 see Frog Lane.

Lease of tenements, 20 June, 19 James I., by Dean Hall to George Langford, gent., of Worcester, being a renewal of a lease dated 16 December, 10 James I., a messuage and garden in St. Martin's in Fryerstrete, between a house of the Dean and Chapter and that of Thomas Wyan, alias Walker, and reaching from the street to the town wall, at a yearly rent of 16*s.*

Seal lost. 1185

Worcester, Frog Lane (Severn Street in St. Peter's the Great).

Lease by Dean Oliver to Elizabeth Biddle of two gardens in the parish of St. Peter's in a place called Frogate, now in the occupation of William Sawe, chaundler, and late in that of John Biddle, barbor, measuring 53½ yards on the west, on the south 49 yards, on the east 105 yards, on the north 107 yards and a quarter, having on the north the garden of Elizabeth Ockley, widow, on the south that of Edward Goodyeare, and on the west Froglane, and on the east a plot in the tenure of John Blurton, gent.

7 November, ... Charles II.

Seal lost. 1186

Worcester, Glover's Street (New Street in St. Martin's).

Quitclaim by Christina, daughter of Nicholas Wringe, to Geoffrey Sparke and Agnes his wife and their heirs, of all claim in 13*d.* rent out of land lying between that of Henry Sparke and William le Dissere in Gloverstrete, for which they give a silver mark.

Witnesses: James Aubin and John of Esteleye, then provosts, William of Pidele, Walter le Mercer, Peter Rufo, Ralph the Glover (*cerotecarius*), John Gurri, and others.

(Temp. King John.) Seal lost. 1187

Quitclaim by Richard of Lodelowe and Emma his wife to the Prior and Convent of Wircester, of 14*d.* rent, which Agnes Sparke, mother of Emma, gave to them.

Witnesses: Walter Quoyntrel and William Roculf, bailiffs, John Comyn, Richard le Mercer, Wulstan of Scrovebury, Henry of Astone (?), William Cole, Richard of Evesham, Peter le Marescall.

[(?) 25 Edward I.] 1188

Quitclaim by Agnes, relict of Robert of Evesham, merescall, citizen of Worcester, to Richard le Mercer of a messuage in Gloverestrete, reaching from the street to the wall of the town.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Adam of Pirie, bailiffs, John Comyn John of Feckenham, Richard le Belyeter, and others.

Worcester, Friday in the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 3 Edward II. (1310).

Seal lost. 1189

Grant by Alice called Alexandres to Henry of Handleye and Cristina his wife of a tenement that Walter Alexandre, parson of Tyberton, gave them, extending in length between the tenement of Henry and Le Schyrrevelone [1] on the fore part and the curtilage of Richard de Burton on the hinder, and between the tenement of Henry and that of Peter Colle.

Witnesses: William Roculf, junior, William of Hodynton, bailiffs, William le Carter, Richard le Belyeter, Richard Adams, John Lony, and others.

Worcester, Monday after St. Andrew's, 5 Edward II. (1311).

Seal: A Multifoil. . . . . HI . DE . AV . A. 1190

Memorandum by Richard le Chaundeler, of a feoffment made by John le Mercer of a tenement in Gloverestret.

Worcester, Monday in Morrow of All Souls, 2 Edward II. (1317).

Seal: A bearded head . . . . PETRI . . . . IESVS CTOA . . . . RIE. 1191

Letters of Richard le Vygnour, rector of the church of St. Alban, son and heir of Nicholas le Vygnour, citizen, attorning Master Richard of Wynchecombe and Robert Hackelette to give seisin to Sir John of Braunsford, rector of Herforton, and Alexander of Stodleye, vicar of the church of Hallowe, in tenements in Glover's street (*Vicus Cyrothecarum*) and at Temple Lawern.

Morrow of the Assumption, 2 Edward III. (1328).

Seal: An eagle displayed. ILLVESVN. 1192

Grant of the same, viz. a messuage between that of the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of St. Wulstan and that of Master Adam de Pidele, and reaching from the street to the garden of the said Master, and 30 selions, 2 gores and 15 buttes of land in Tempull Lawarne.

Witnesses: John Lony, John le Mercer, William le Carter, William of Abyndon, John of Crowenest, Henry of Pechesley.

Worcester, Thursday after Assumption, 10 Edward III. (1336).

Seal lost. 1193

[1] The Sheriff's Lane.

Grant by John of Croule, senior, to John of Todenham, chaplain, of 3*s.* rent out of the tenement of Nicholas le Vynor in Gloverestrete.

Witnesses: John Spelly and John Dey, bailiffs, John Boltsmith, Philip Tyllowe, Nicholas Lony, John Aylwyne, Geoffrey Barbour, and others.

Worcester, Sunday in St. Valentine, 20 Edward III. (1346).

Seal lost. 1194

Grant by William Roculf, citizen, to John of Croule, senior, 3*s.* rent out of the tenement of Nicholas le Vynor in Gloverestret.

Witnesses: John Spelly and Nicholas le Dynare, bailiffs, Reginald le Tannerer, Walter of Longeney, Richard Pennesome, Thomas of Hodynton, and many others.

Monday after Saint Peter and Saint Paul, 28 Edward III. (1354).

Seal: A grotesque mask. 1195

Worcester[1], *Henwick* (*In St. Clement's*).

Grant by Adam of Sadewell, son of Gunbert of Sadewell, to William Piston, for his homage and service, all his land in Hynewyke, lying between the land of Waterand on the one side and the King's way (*chiminum*) on the other, except the area wherein his capital mansion stands, at 1*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Geoffrey of Lawarne, Hugh, son of Ralph, William Hybermen, Nicholas, son of David of Spechesle, Mathew le Ostler (*stabularius*), and Eudo, a servant of Hallawe.

Seal lost. 1196

Grant by John of Dumbleton to Walter, son of Walter of the Hill, for fidelity and service and for a silver mark, a messuage and curtilage lying in width between the land of Simon Galyrand and that of Alice Godale, and extending from the road from Heynewick to Worcester to the well called "Scade Well[2]," to hold of the lord by customary service, &c.

Witnesses: Richard of Pechesley, Mathew of Hallow, Nicholas Dany, Henry of Dumbletone, Richard Jordan, and many others.

Oval seal in white wax: A peacock? S' JOHANNIS DE . . . . TVN. 1197

[1] Hynewyke for A.-S. *Aet hêan wice*, lit. at the high village. These forms in the dative case often have the preposition *aet* understood, *hean* is the dative of *hêah*, high, as in Henley. (MS. letter from Prof. Skeat.)

[2] Shadwell. A.-S. *scead-welle, scead* = shade, but also means shelter, hence sheltered well. (MS. Letter from Prof. Skeat.)

Grant by Margery Gurney to God and the Blessed Mary and to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, in free, pure, and perpetual alms, all her lands in the hill of Hyneweke, viz. 4 selions in Gurneyescrofth next the high way, one selion in the field called Grunesleth opposite land of William de Gutruge and that of John Dun.

Witnesses: Mathew of Hallowe, Adam the Smith, William Britun, Hugh the Smith, John Walerunth of Hynewick, and others.

Seal lost. 1198

Grant by Walter, son of Walter de Monte, to the Prior and Convent in pure and perpetual alms, to sustain a light to burn for ever in the chapel o the Blessed Mary, 2*s*. rent, which he had by gift of John of Dumbeltone in Hynewyke, out of the tenement lying in length between land of Simon Walrant and that of Alice Godale, and reaching to the road from Hynewyke to Worcester and to the Scadewell.

Witnesses: John of Kekyngwyke, James of Pouwer, Richard of Grynnenhulle, William of Abyndon, Mathew of Hallowe, Henry, son of William of Berebourne, Henry of Dumbeltone, and others.

Seal in white wax: A man carrying in his right hand a basket? S' WALTERI DE 1199

Quitclaim by John of Hynewyke, son of Nicholas Piscator of Hynewyk, to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, of the portion of his meadow there which he sold to them for the use of the Master of the Works.

Witnesses: Sir Hugh de Pakenton, Master W. de Powykst, Sheriff of Worcester, Thomas de Stoke, Benedict de Herdewyke, John Francis of Hodinton, Robert de Herdewyke, servant of Thomas de Northampton, clerk, and many others.

1200

Quitclaim by John called Godale of Hynewyke, to the Prior and Convent, of a rent of 12*d*. which Robert de Bendeford and Christine Textrice paid in Heynewyke to the use of the Precentor, and also the curtillage next his house, and that of Cristine, paying annually 6*d*. rent.

Witnesses: Richard of C . . . ., Richard of Pechesley, Nicholas Dany, Mathew of Hallow, Henry of Pechesley, and many others.

Seal lost. 1201

Grant by John, son of Nicholas Piscator of Hynewike, in pure alms to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, of 6 selions in Wickenhulle, 3 selions

at the Rondulfeshelde from the furrow of Richard David to the land of Osbert of Newelonde, and the other 3 adjoining them.

Witnesses: Thomas de Stokes, Nicolas David of Pechesle, Osbert of Beverborne, Geoffrey of Blacwell, Robert of Alueston, Jordan of Pechesle, Thomas the clerk, John Francis, John del Hac, and many others.

Seal lost. 1202

Grant by Matilda Rose of Hynewyke, to Roger Lilie of Worcester, of a tenement and curtillage which he had by gift of Robert Alcok his brother, and which lies next land of Adam Wele.

Witnesses: John of Kekyngwik, Walter his son, Henry of Pechesleye, William Rokulf, Richard of Grymenhull, Hugh le Hopere, John of Beuhale, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Dated, Hynewyke, Tuesday the Morrow of S. Nicolas, 10 Edw. II. (1316).

Seal lost. 1203

Grant by John Warland of Hinewyke, to Wulstan the Prior and the Convent of Worcester, of all his arable in Hinewyke, viz. 8 selions, 1 furrow and a gore, and hay next Lithefeld, 20 selions in Grimesheth, and 8 in a croft next his Manse, and a pasture between the Severne and Hultonestret, reaching from the pasture called Amisacre.

Witnesses: Walter of Kekyngwyke, John le Power of Wycheneford, Henry of Pechesley, Richard Ingram of the same, Adam de la Wodehalle of the same, and others.

Dated Hynewyke, Feast of the Blessed Mathew, 16 Edw. II. (1322).

Seal: A griffin within interlaced triangles. S . V . T . E . L . R . N . T .

1204

Grant by Roger Lylie of Worcester, to Walter Derlinge of Worcester, butcher, of a messuage and curtillage he had by feoffment of Matilda Rose, next that of Adam Wele in Hynewyke.

Witnesses: Henry of Pechesle, William Roculf, junior, Reginald the dyer, William Persones, Hugh le Hopere, and others.

Worcester, on Feast of St. Andrew, 4 Edw. III. (1330).

Fragment of seal. 1205

Release by Cecily, daughter and heir of Roger Lylie of Worcester, to Walter Derling of the abovenamed messuage.

Witnesses: Reginald the dyer, William Persones, Hugh le Hopere, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Andrew, 4 Edw. III. (1330).

Oval seal: A standing figure pouring water on a kneeling figure. Legend illegible. 1206

Worcester, High Street (in St. Helen's and St. Nicolas).

[Grant by Juliana, widow of Robert Wastefile of Worcester, to William of Winchecombe, sezier of Worcester, for fidelity and service 6*s.* rent out of a messuage situated between the land of Thomas the painter (*pictor*), and that of Gumbert the vintner (*vinetarius*), *in alta placea*, at 2*s.* quarterly.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and Henry Cointrel, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Walter of Derleye, John, son of Alexander, William Frend, John of Estley, Gumbert the Vintner, John of Bradewaye, Richard Senescall, William of Ledebury, and many others.

Seal lost. 1044]

[Quitclaim by Margery Alheyl of Worcester to the Prior and Convent of ½*d.* rent, which David the baker paid out of his tenement *in alta platea*.

Witnesses: James Aubyn, William le Charetter, Henry of Aston, Pain Burgeys, Richard le Seneschal, Walter Cointrel, Henry Poche.

Seal lost. 1046]

Grant by Walter Derling, confirming to William, son of Robert Rose, a messuage, &c., which he had by gift of Roger Lylye next that of Thomas Robynnes.

Witnesses: Henry of Pechesley, Thomas Robines, Thomas Walerand, John le Yonge of Grimehulle, Richard Ingram.

Hynnewyke, F. of SS. Nereus and Achilleus, 9 Edw. III. (1335).

Seal lost. 1207

Grant by Agnes Lony of Lanyngton, confirming to Ivere, daughter of John Iver and Joan Lony his wife, the moiety of a messuage in Henwick next Westundesplace, next that of Adam Bele.

Witnesses: Nicolas atte Walle, John Baldewyn, Simon Radestun, John Burdrawere, Thomas Clerk, and others.

Hynwick, Sunday after St. Michael, 2 Ric. II. (1378).

Seal lost. 1208

Grant by Thomas Crompe of Crowle and Matilda his wife, granting to Hugh Wylkys of Henewyke and Margaret his wife a messuage in Hyndewike.

Witnesses: Thomas Hopkyns, John Porter, John Yvyll, John Power, John Dyngne, John Hyll, John Tyler.

Hynewyke, Sunday in Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 10 Hen. VI. (1431).

Seal lost. 1209

Grant by Hugh Wylkys of Hynewyk and Margaret his wife, confirming to John Menezates of the same a messuage in Werelondesplace, and that of Adam Bele.

Witnesses: Thomas Hopkins, John Porter, John Hulle, John Hulle, John Power.

Hynewik, Sunday after St. Martin, 12 Hen. VI. (1434).

Seal lost. 1210

Lease by Robert Multon Prior to Richard Keye and Margaret his wife and John their son, of le Gurgite and fishery called Henewykesmere in Hyndwik, at a rent of 26*s.* to the coquinarius.

Michaelmas, 11 Edw. IV. (1471).

Seal lost. 1211

Grant by Michael, the Gatekeeper of the Castle of Worcester, to the Prior and Convent of 5*s.* rent, payable by Jordan Pichiur and his heirs out of land lying between his land and that of Benedict, son of Nicholas of Hallaf, in the fee of Peter de la Flagge, senior, with all services due to Grantor, paying 2*d.* yearly to the Lord of the feoff.

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, and William Roculf, provosts, Peter Colle, Robert, son of Nigel, John, son of Richard Cumin, Alured the Draper, Richard le Clerk, Richard of Bareford, Roger of the Grove, Roger Cumin, William Sebrond, Richard Gervase the Cellerar.

(12th century.) Seal lost. Endorsed *In Magno Vico.* 1212

Quitclaim by John le Vynur, clerk, to the Prior and Convent of the tenement of Henry le Clerk, his father, bought of Christina, widow of Peter of Wyke, knight, *in alto pavimento.*

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and Walter Dorley, bailiffs, William of Pydele, James Aubyn, John Coyntrel, Walter the Mercer, Robert of Kemeseye, William le Enveyse, Roger of Pershore, and many others.

Seal lost. 1213

Grant by Cristina, widow of Sir Peter of Wyke, knight, to the Prior and Convent to maintain a light before the shrine of St. Wulstan, of 14*s.* rent out of a tenement *in alto vico*, between that of John Spich and land of Henry Parmentarius.

Witnesses: John, son of Alexander, and William le Dischar, bailiffs, William of Pidele, Pain Burgeys, James Aubyn, Walter le Mercer, William of Kemesey, and many others.

Seal lost. 1214

Grant by Julian de Templo to Roger, son of Richard of Boreford, of 3*s.* rent out of a shop Richard of . . . . and Cristina his wife held in the High Street.

Witnesses: . . . . le Belyeter and Stephen le Loksmith, bailiffs of Worcester, John Comyn, William Rokulf, ... Robert Marescall.

Tuesday after Easter . . . . Edward I. ? (1301).

Seal lost. 1215

Grant by Henry of Brocton, citizen, to Stephen le Loksmyth of a shop in the High Street between those of Richard of Evesham and Simon of Lodelowe.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter of Enneyse, bailiffs, John le Caretter, Thomas Poche, William of Ruyehale, Nicholas of Studleye, Richard of Evesham, and others.

Seal lost. 1216

Quitclaim by Cecily, daughter and heir of Peter Colle, citizen, to the Prior and Convent of all claim in a tenement with its appurtenance in High Street, between that Andrew the Painter held and that of Henry of Stodleye.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, Henry of Aston, Peter Colle, Richard le Mercer, Walter le Enneseye, and others.

Seal lost. 1217

Grant by Margery, daughter of John of Esteleye, widow, confirming to John, son of William le Karter, citizen, for fidelity and service, 18*d.* rent, part from the tenement of Robert Bonnour, between that of Richard le Bocher and Thomas le Parmentarius *in alta platea*, and part from that Walter Wycher sometime held.

Witnesses: Adam of Kynefar, bailiff, William Roculf, John Comyn, John Osbern, Wulstan of Salop, William le Karter, Robert of Chirhulle, and many others.

Seal lost. 1218

Writ of John Abel, eschaetor of the King on this side Trent, ordering the Prior to appear to answer for obtaining 11*s*. rent in mortmain, which John le Carettar held out of a tenement in the High Street.

London, 26 November, 7 Edward I. (1278).

Seal: A saltire Lozengy [1]. 1219

Grant by John of Hornyngwold to Richard of Hanford and Margaret his wife of a messuage in the High Street situated between the tenements of Richard Gros and Nicholas de Muro.

Witnesses: Robert le Bracy, John of Grafton, William le Cartare, John of Worthin, John of Stone, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Barnabas, 21 Edward I. (1293).

Seal, oval, black wax: Eve gathering the forbidden fruit. S' IOHNIS DE HORNI'GWOLD. 1220

Grant by Matilda, widow of Robert of Churchulle, citizen, to Richard le Mercer of a tenement in the High Street, between that of the grantor and that of the Prior, to the end of the life of Margaret, widow of Robert Bataylle, for 100*s*. sterling.

Witnesses: John le Caretter, then bailiff, John Comyn, William Quoyntrel, Peter Colle, Richard of Evesham, Adam of Perye, Nicholas of Stodleye, Stephen le Locsmyz, Henry of Upton, Robert of Pydele, Symon of Bergas, and many others.

Worcester, Monday after the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 24 Edward I. (1296).

Seal lost. 1221

Grant by Anneyse, prioress of Wyston, to Richard le Mercer of a tenement in the High Street, between those of Richard Pyion and Maud de Cherchulle, in 'La Haute ruwe,' demised to the priory by the will of Robert Bataylle, citizen of that town, at a rent of 4*s*.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Coyntrell, bailiffs, John Comyn,

[1] ? Argent, a saltire engrailed azure, Burke, General Arm.

William Colle, Henry of Astone, John le Caretter, Adam of Pirye, Nicholas of Stodley, Steven le Locsmyz, and others.

Thursday after the translation of St. Thomas, 25 Edward I. (1297).

(French.) Seal lost. 1222

Quitclaim by Richard, called Vanner of Worcester, chaplain, son of Cecily, widow of Roger le Vannere, to John le Charter, citizen, of all claim in *2s. 6d.* rent out of a tenement in the High Street, which William le Chareter sometime held.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Thomas of Braunsford, and others.

Worcester, vigil of Ascension, 26 Edward I. (1298).

Seal lost. 1223

Release by Cecily, widow of Roger le Vannere, citizen, of all claim in *2s. 6d.* rent out of a tenement William le Charetter held in the High Street.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Thomas of Braunsford, Thomas Colle, Henry of Upton, and others.

Worcester, Friday after St. John ante portam latinam, 26 Edward I. (1298).

Seal lost. 1224

Quitclaim by Agnes, wife of Robert Boon, to Richard le Mercer of all claim in a tenement between that of Robert le Chirchulle, and that of Richard Piroun.

Witnesses: William Colle, John Lony, bailiffs, Adam of Pirie, Richard of Evesham, Simon Poche, Peter Colle, Thomas of Braunsford, Robert of Pidele, Thomas of Bromyard, and others.

35 Edward I. (1306).

Seal lost. 1225

Grant by . . nes Sose, widow of Richard Tholus, to John of Feckenham, citizen, and Thomas, son of . . .

Witnesses: Thomas of Braunsford, Robert . . . . , John Comyn, Richard le Mercer, William Rokulf, William Colle . . . . , Richard of Evesham.

Worcester, Wednesday . . . . 2 Edward II. (1308).

Fragment of seal. 1226

Lease by William le Shereman, Citizen, and Agnes Pyion his wife, to Thomas Braunsford and Giles Dru his wife, of 10*s*. rent out of a tenement *in alto vico*, situated between that of William le Bowyare and John de Ruyghale, to be paid for 7 years from the Feast of the Annunciation.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Adam of Pirie, bailiffs, John Comyn, John Coyntrel, John of Pakwode, Alan le taillour, Hugh de la Holte, John Daleby.

Dated 3 Edward II. (1309).

Two seals lost. 1227

Grant by Stephen, son and heir of John of Scheldesleye, citizen, to Jordan of Revereshull, goldsmith, of a shop which his father held in the High Street, between the street and a tenement of his father, and reaching from the door (*hostium*) of that tenement to the holding of John Gros.

Witnesses: Richard le Beleyeter and John Lony, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Thomas of Braunsford, Thomas Gros, Pain the Goldsmith, and others.

Worcester, Monday after St. Martin, 4 Edward II. (1310).

Seal: A star, S. STEFAN. FIL. IOH'NIS DE SCH'DES'. 1228

Lease and Counterpart by Thomas le Ronthale, citizen of Wircester, to Ralph of Tolwardyn, of the same, of a tenement with its appurtenance, situated between those of Richard le Mercer and William of Warndon, sheremon, in the High street of Worcester, and reaching from the street to the tenement of Cristina Hykedy, for 21 years, from the feast of St. Michael, 5 Edward II., at a rent of 10 marks.

Witnesses: Richard le Belleyeter, John Lony, bailiffs, of Worcester, John Comyn, Richard le Mercer, William Colle, Richard of Evesham, Adam of Pirie, William of Warndon, John Daleby, clerk, and others.

Worcester, the day and year named above.

Seals lost. 1229, 1230

Grant by William Colle, citizen of Worcester, quitclaiming to John de Hornyngwold, and Isabel his wife, and their heirs, lawfully begotten, &c., &c., all claim in a tenement situated between that of Richard le Styward and that of Thomas Gros in the High street, and all their lands and tenements in Bromhale, in the manor of Kemeseye.

Witnesses: Richard le Mercer, Richard le Bellyetere, John Lony, John of Everlegh, Nicholas of Pyrye, Giles of Pyryton, Adam of Hondene, and others.

Dated, Worcester, Monday before the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 7 Edward II.

Seal lost. 1231

Covenant between . . . . , citizen of Worcester, and the Prior and Convent there, whereby he grants them . . . . shillings rent, viz., from a tenement John Barbour holds, situated between those of William Roculf and John Cros, in the High street, 40*s.*; from the tenement of John Cros, between that of John de Barbour and a house which John of Scheldesleye held in the same street, 9*s.*; from that of William of Barbourne, between the tenement of John of Hodyntone and that which John of Collewelle held in Brodestret, 2*s.*; and from that tenement which Richard de Boreford held in a plot of All Saints (?) 2*s.* to remain the use of the Sacrist to sustain a secular priest to celebrate divine mysteries for William de Colle, and for his brother John of St. Briavels, during their lives, and for all the faithful dead, at the altar of the "Blessed Marie atte Rodedore."

Witnesses: Richard le Mercer, John Loni, Richard of Evesham, Adam of Pirie, Robert of . . . . , William of Stouwa, Thomas Gros, then bailiffs, and the Prior and Convent in chapter.

11 November, anno 1315.

Fragment of the Priory seal in yellow wax. 1232

Release by John of Feckenham, citizen of Worcester, quitclaiming John le Mercer, citizen, and his heirs, &c., in all claim in 23*s.* 4*d.* rent out of the following tenements; from that lying between the tenements of Richard Neel and of Ralph le Tolwardene, 13*s.* 4*d.*; from that between the tenement of Alditha of Lesburgh and the Grantor, 10*s.*

Witnesses: William Roculf, junior, and William of Hodynton, then bailiffs of Worcester, William Roculf, senior, Richard le Belyeter, William le Cartere, and others.

Dated, Worcester, Sunday in the vigil of Easter, 12 Edward II.

Seal, oval, brown wax: A male figure in short robe, turning to the left, and holding an object in his hand, between two vines. E D E VINI . . . . VAL 1233

Grant by Simon of Lodelawe, citizen of Worcester, to Walter of Martlegh, citizen, and Matilda his wife, of the tenement between that of grantor and that of Richard of Alvechurch, which John Wyset held in the High street and which reaches to the tenements of Master John of Bradewas.

Witnesses: Peter of Greote and Henry Goseyne, bailiffs of Worcester, Richard of Tapenhalle, Richard of Alvechurch, John le Barbour, Richard Gorwy, Henry le Gans, and others.

Dated at Worcester, Tuesday next the Feast of St. Valentine, 4 Edward III. (1330).

Seal lost. 1234

Grant by John Lodewater, junior, to Henry de Drury of a tenement in the High street, particularized in a certain charter.

Dated Worcester, Vigil of St. Andrew, 19 Edward III. (1346).

Seal lost. 1235

Grant by . . . ., citizen of Worcester, to Hugh de la Holt, citizen, of a certain shop between that of Stephen le Loksmyth and la Gyldehalle, in High street.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and John Lony, bailiffs of Worcester, John Comyn, Adam of Pirie, Adam of Wanlake, Simon Poche, Nicholas of Stodleye, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday before the Nativity of the Blessed Mary, 3 Edward II.

Seal lost. 1236

Grant by William Colle, citizen of Worcester, to William the Goldsmith (*aurifaber*), citizen, and Isabell his wife, of the tenement which Roger Payn, brother of grantor, held, situated between those of John of Feckenham and Robert Bataile, and reaching from the High Street to the tenement of Alice le Hopere, at 20*s*. rent and customary service.

Witnesses: William of Marteleye and Adam of Pidele, bailiffs of Worcester, William Rokulf, William his son, John le Mercer, John Lony, Richard le Belleyeter, William le Carter, Robert of Himelton, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Oval seal: An agnus Dei. SIGILLUM SECRETI. 1237

Grant by Nicholas le Botiller to William Cartere of 15*s*. rent paid by John Lony out of the tenement in which Richard of Tapenhale dwells in the High street, and by Richard of Alvechurch out of a tenement between that last mentioned and the house of Walter of Martleye.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Richard Macias, bailiffs of Worcester, Peter of Greote, John le Mercer, Simon Cros, Walter le Mercer, John of Redymige, and others.

Dated Worcester, Friday after St. Vincent, 10 Edward III.

Seal lost. 1238

Quitclaim of above dated Sunday next the Conversion of St. Paul, 9 Edward III.

Seal lost. 1239

Lease by John le Mercer, citizen of Worcester, to Richard le Chaundeler, citizen, of a tenement in Sudberystret and a shop in the High street, and 9*s*. rent paid by Agnes of Lyndebroke in Brodestret.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and Richard Macias, bailiffs of Worcester, Simon Cros, Walter le Mercer, John of Redynge, John Goldbeter, Thomas le Gildsmith, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday in St. Katherine, 10 Edward III.

Seal: A bearded head. . . . . IESVS . . . . OVR 1240

Release by William le Usher to John of Pendok, citizen, of all right in the tenement he held by feoffment of John Lockes, next that of Walter of Bourton in the High Strete.

Witnesses: William Roculf, Richard Macias, bailiffs, John Lony, John le Mercer, William le Carter, Thomas Cassy, Walter of Burton, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Thursday after Invention of the Holy Cross, 2 Edw. III. (1317). 1241

Quitclaim by John of Duntersford, parson of Herforton, to John Lockes and his heirs of all right in a tenement in High Street.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Richard Matyas, bailiffs, John Lony, John le Mercer, William le Caretter, William of Penhul, Adam of Feckenham, Walter of Burton, John of Burton.

Friday in St. Mark, 2 Edw. III. (1337).

Seal lost. 1242

John Long, senior, citizen, confirming to William Carter 13*s*. 4*d*., rent which John of Brottone, butcher, paid out of a tenement in High Street.

Witnesses: Walter of Wenlake and Walter of Wotton, bailiffs, Simon Gros, John Pendok, Thomas of Den, Ralf of Tolwardyn, Richard Larbagge, and others.

Tuesday next St. Benedict, 12 Edw. III. (1338).

Seal lost. 1243

Grant by Walter of Kynton, citizen of Worcester, to William Carter, citizen, and his heirs, 12*d*. rent out of a tenement situated between those of the grantor and Agnes Dany in the High street of Wircester, at a rent of 12*d*.

Witnesses: John Gorwy and Roger Gnawbon, bailiffs of Worcester, Richard Macias, John Lony, John le Herde, John of Radeston, Richard Lorbagg, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday in St. Gregory, 13 Edward III.
Seal lost. 1244

Grant by John of Horningwold, quitclaiming Richard of Hanford and Margery his wife of all claim in a messuage in the High street.

Witnesses: William le Cartere, John le Belzetare, Henry le Cartere, William Roculf, Walter le Mercer, and others.

Dated at Worcester, 29 June, 21 Edward III. (1347).

Seal: Eve gathering the apple. JOHIS DE HORNI'GWOLD. 1245

Grant by John, son of William le Nonce, citizen of Worcester, to Henry le Cartare, citizen of the same, and Thomas his brother, of 23*d.* rent out of the tenement in which Henry Dany, chaplain, dwells, situated between that of John le Herde and that of Walter of Kyngton in the High street.

Witnesses: Simon Cros and Roger le Taverner, bailiffs of Worcester, William Cartere, Richard Macyas, John Lony, Richard Lorbagge, William de Neuport, and others.

Worcester, Friday after St. Dennis, 22 Edward III.
Seal lost. 1246

Grant by Thomas de Clifton, quitclaiming to John, Prior of the Cathedral church and to the Convent there, all claims in a tenement situated between that of Richard Perkins and the Cemetery stairs in le Lychstret.

Witnesses: Sir William de Beauchamp and Sir Robert le Bracy, knights, Henry of Hambury, John Masard, Walter of Pyrie, and others.

Dated Worcester, Tuesday in St. Thomas the Apostle, 24 Edward III. (1351).
Seal lost. 1247

Lease by John, prior of the Cathedral Church and the Convent there, to John le Goldsmith of Worcester, of a house and 4 shops situated by the stairs of the cemetery of the church at the end of the High street and a certain plot in the Cemetery, and reaching from the said stairs to the Lychestret, holding the same for 40 years, paying annually to the Sacrist 20*s.*, from the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 33 Edward III. (1359).

Dated in the Chapter House.
Part of an oval seal: The Prior seated. 1248

Lease by the same to . . . . of Elmeleye *cementarius* and his heirs the tenement John of Pydele held, situated between the gate of the

cemetery called Lychegate and the mansion in which John of Rutone dwells, for 40 years from the feast of St. Andrew, 3 Edward III. (1369), paying to the Sacrist 10*s*. sterling.

Dated in the Chapter House.

Oval seal: The Prior seated. . . . . Counterseal, a greek gem, Apollo standing . . . . HABVNDA. 1249

Grant by William Langton, citizen of Worcester, and Margery his wife, to Sir William Gybon, rector of the church of St. Elene, John Halforde le Draper, John Bredon, citizens, and Sir Nicholas Rownehaye, of their tenements in Worcester, one situated in le Hokstrete between tenements of Robert Poywyke and William Cheylemershe, another in the High strete between the tenement of the Prior and Convent of the Cathedral church and that of John Kynyng and that of Thomas le Somonour.

Witnesses: William Barbour, bailiff, Richard Hayle, John le Goldsmith, Hugh Coke, Richard Gascun, John Brandisley, John Sukley, John Kynnyng, Robert Peys, and others.

Dated Worcester, the Vigil of the Purification, 40 Edward III. (1367).

Seals defaced. 1250

Grant by William Langeton and Margery his wife to Nicholas Strode, citizen of Worcester, a tenement in the High strete between that of the Prior and Sacrist and the house of John Kynnyng, and on the other side the tenement of John Cros in which John Norryes dwells.

Witnesses: Thomas Lychefeld and William Pycard, bailiffs, Richard Garstoyne, John Bredon, John Sokkele, John Kynnyng, John Norreys, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday before the Epiphany, 7 Richard II. (1383-4).

Seal lost. 1251

Lease and counterpart by John Bredon, citizen of Worcester, and Thomas Botheby, chaplain, to Peter de la More, citizen, reciting that Peter had enfeoffed them of a tenement, with shops, cellars, and a garden, in the High street, situated between the tenement of Richard Gascoyne and that of John Cross, and reaching from the street to the garden of the said Richard; this they surrender on the payment to the said John within two years of the sum of £110 in silver.

Sunday in St. Valentine, 10 Henry IV. (1408-9).

Seal lost. 1252, 1253

Grant by Peter de la Mare, citizen of Worcester, to William Wodeward of Abbotesmorton, and Roger Gerald, rector of the church of Churchelench, of a tenement, with shops, cellarage, and a garden, in the High street (see above).

Witnesses: John Weston and William Boughton, Bailiffs of Worcester, Richard Gascoyne, Thomas Stabold, Thomas Beore, John Sukkeley, Hugh Sampton, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday the morrow of St. Laurence, 11 Henry IV.

Seal lost. 1254

Grant by Peter de la Mare, citizen of Worcester, to Baldewyne Strange, knight, John Baysham, clerk, John Sharp of Poywick, of the tenement described in the last deed.

Witnesses: Thomas Belne and Reginald Barbour, bailiffs of Worcester, Richard Gascoyne, Robert Nelmes, Richard Oseney, and others.

Dated Worcester, Tuesday in the Nativity of our Lord, 3 Henry V. (1416).

Seal: A cross pattee. 1255

Lease by Master John Lawerne *elemosinarius* to Richard Walker of a tenement in the High street between that of John Colman and that of William Gornay, barber, at a rent of 10*s*.

Feast of St. Matthew, 34 Henry VI. (1455).

Fragment of seal. 1256

Quitclaim by Robert Wodde, alias Deppyng, clerk, and Hugh his brother, of all right in a plot of land in High street.

Witnesses: John Jonys and William Turner, bailiffs, John Water, Richard Mors, aldermen, William Joly, John Moryce, Roger Proctor, and others.

21 October, 1 Richard III. (1483).

Seals lost. 1257

Release of same.

Witnesses: John Moryce, William Turner, William Hambury, Richard Addys, John Glover, and others.

2 October, 3 Richard III. (1485).

Seal lost. 1258

Lease by William Wenlake, prior of Worcester, to John Wynnemore and Elizabeth his wife of two tenements in Lychestret within the Sanctuary and

in the parish of St. Michael, belonging to the Sacrist's office, one of which they occupy, the other Richard Skeyven held at 20*s.* rent, 20 January, 9 Henry VII. (1494).

To it is sewn the bond of the said John and Elizabeth, to abide by the agreement, dated 22 January following.

Seals: 1. A dove rising. 2. A bird. 1259

Lease by William More, prior, to John Perrott, barber, Beatrice his wife, and Laurence their son, for their lives, of a tenement in High street, in which he dwells, situated between that of Philip Borne on the north and the tenement formerly the perquisite of John Rudynge of Hosyntre on the south, at 20*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Michaelmas, 16 Henry VIII. (1524).

Three seals: 1. Capital I. 2. Capital T. 3. Broken. 1260

Lease from the said Prior to John Braughyng and Elizabeth his wife, of one "*opella*," or shop with chamber in the parish of St. Helen in the corner of the street called "Saynte Albons strete," against the church of St. Helen, and between the tenement of John Payne, and a shop open to the street, measuring 7¾ rods from the corner by the High street, and in width to the said lane, 3½ rods, to the use of the office of the Tumbarius.

December 31, 16 Henry VIII. (1524).

1261

Lease by the same to Roger Whytbroke, saddler, and Sibill his wife, of a tenement in High street, between that of Ralph Scheldon, in which John Ede, carpenter, lived, on the north, and that in which Philip Borne lived, with a plot of vacant land belonging to the Elemonsinarius, on the west, at 82*s.* rent.

Michaelmas, 19 Henry VIII. (1527).

Seals. 1. A knot. 2. A T. 1262

Lease by the same to Richard Hyggens, vintner, of a capital messuage in the High street in the parish of St. Elene, between that of John Hayfeld, in which Martin Thyrkyld lived, on the north, and that of Robert Newdyke, belonging to the "Sign of the Lion" on the south, for 41 years at a rent of 53*s.* 4*d.*, with bond to keep covenant.

16 November, 22 Henry VIII. (1530). 1263

Grant by John Byrkyn, clerk, of Worcester, to John Dodyng, walker, and Alice his wife, sister of the said John, of all his tenements in Worcester,

viz. one with a close and garden in the High street next the Guyldhalle, and the tenement of Adam Pyrye, and reaching from the street to his lands, and another in the same street between that of the Friars Preachers and Thomas Ludlowe, and reaching from the street to the tenement of William Specheley, and another in Baxster street between that of John Walton and the tenement of Margaret Barton, and reaching from the street to the land of William Lychefeld, knight.

Witnesses: Richard Hasylloke, Thomas Porter, Thomas Haywodde, Robert Hasylloke, and others.

3 May, 3 Edward VI. (1548).

Attached to it is the quitclaim dated 16 May following.

Seal lost. 1264

Lease by Philip Havarde, Dean of the Cathedral and the Chapter, to John Paxton, mercer of Worcester, of two messuages in the High street between the tenement of Richard Danks and that Hugh Ashbye held, now occupied by William Dolfyn at a rent of 26*s.* 8*d.*

Michaelmas, 1-2 Philip and Mary (1554).

Seal lost. 1265

[Lease by Sethe Holland, M.A., Dean of the Cathedral, to Christopher Dighton of a capital messuage in the High Street by a small tenement at the corner of Coken street to the tenement William Powell, bocher, held, and with the tenement of Thomas Porter, bocher, on the south.

24 November, 4-5 Philip and Mary (1557).

Signed and sealed with a gem, the head of Minerva. 1206]

Indenture dated 26 November, 1 James I. (1603), between Richard Edes, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter there, and Richard Longmethropp the younger, clothier of Worcester, concerning a tenement in the High strete, between that of Roger Whittington and Robert Newdicke, as appears in the lease.

Dated 25 November, 30 Elizabeth (1587).

Signed. Seal lost. 1267

Indenture dated 25 November, 6 James I. (1608), between Arthur Lake, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter there, and Alice Gower of St. John's, widow, surrendering a lease dated 28 November, 1 James I. (1608), of the site of the manor of St. John's called the Pytenciarye's Ferme, and the land in Blackefelde, Prosecroft, and new Mille feld, renewed at a rent of 33*s.* 8*d.*

Seal lost. Signature. 1268

[Remnant of lease, dated 23 June, 17 Charles I. (1641), between Christopher Potter, Dean of the Cathedral, and Francis Blissarde of the city of Worcester, gent., surrendering a tenement in the High Street in the parish of St. Helen, having on the north the tenement of Francis Whittington, now in the tenure of Francis Walker, gent., and on the south that of Robert Newdicke, formerly held by Richard Ingiuthorpe, gent., and now held by John Johnsons, with all its gardens and appurtenance, for 40 years at £2 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly.

975]

Lease from William Thomas, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter there, to Thomas Walker of St. Clement's, clothier, of a tenement in High street, on the surrender of a lease dated 23 June, 17 Charles I. (1641), situated between the tenement of Francis Walker, gent., on the north, and on the south that of Thomas Hatton, innholder.

25 November, 19 Charles II. (1667).

Signed and sealed. 1269

Lease from the same to Francis Walker of St. John's of a tenement in High street.

25 November, 23 Charles II. (1671).

Seal lost. 1270

Worcester, the Holebroc [1].

Grant by Richard of Grimoebi to Master John, called son of Peter of Worcester, of all his land lying next the way which leads to the torrent called Holebroc towards Batenhale, on the one part, and the land of Robert the parker on the other, and in length from the said way to the land of Geoffrey Russel, to hold at 1*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys, John Cumin, William Frend, Richard Frend, William of Timberdene, and others.

Seal lost. 1271

Transferred.

1272

[1] A.-S. Holebróc. See Kemble. "ondlong holan broces:" holan is the gen. case of hol, "hollow," and bröces gen. case of bröc. "brook." See N. E. D., where hollow is shown to mean depressed, excavated, concave, &c.; i.e. any channel that has been deepened or cut out in any way is called "hollow." (M.S. letter from Prof. Skeat.)

[1] *Huckster Street (Little Fish Street in St. Helen's).*

Grant by Ralph of Bretton, baker, to Walter of Leye, mason, citizen, and Alice his wife, of a tenement between the tenement of Nicholas Salmon and that of the Master of the Hospital of St. Wulstan in Southeburistrete [2], and reaching from the street to the garden Master William Geffrey held.

Witnesses: William le Carter, Richard Gybbesone, then bailiffs of Worcester, John le Mercer, Henry of Wanlak, John of Forthantton, Robert of Preston, Walter of Warmedon, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Friday in Easter-week, 15 Edward II. (1322).

Seal: Two gauntlets crossed. I LOVE WELL. 1272

Quitclaim by Wulstan of Salop, citizen, to the Prior and Convent of a curtilage between those of Ralph Edulf and the tenement of William Moyse in Huckestarestret.

Witnesses: John, called Caretter, and Adam of Kynefar, bailiffs, William Rokulf, Ralph Edulf, Robert of Churchehulle, Peter Colle, Henry of Brocton, and others.

Seal: A gem, a nude figure standing. N. F. E. . . . . T. F. 1273

Grant by the said Wulstan to the prior of 11*s.* rent out of a tenement between that of Willam le Disschare and the Gyldhall in Huxstere strete.

Witnesses: William Colle and Stephen le Loksmith, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Rokulf, Richard le Mercer, Richard of Ledbury, Robert of Humelton, and others.

Worcester, Feast of St. Martin, 30 Edward I. (1302).

Seal lost. 1274

Grant by John Edulf of Worcester, chaplain, son and heir of Ralph Edulf, confirming to John of Stokton the land between the tenement of John of Rowton and that of Roger Gnawebon, in Huksteerestret, reaching from that street to the land of Richard le Belleyetere which his father, Ralph, held, and all his goods and chattells there.

Witnesses: William de la Stowe, Thomas Gros, bailiffs, Richard le Mercer, William Roculf, Richard le Belleyeter, John Lony, Roger le Espec, Roger Gnawebon, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after St. Dunstan, 9 Edward II. (1316).

Seal lost. 1275

Lease by John of Horningwold, citizen, to Matilda, relict of John le Blake, of a shop with a chamber over it in Huxstere street, at 1*d.* rent.

[1] Hucster, a pedler. [2] Sidbury.

Witnesses: William of Martleie and Adam of Wyrepiddle, bailiffs, John Lony, John le Mercer, William le Caretter, Richard Adam, Ralph of Tolwardine, and others.

Worcester, Thursday after St. Peter and St. Martin, 10 Edward II. (1316).

Seal: Eve gathering the forbidden fruit. S. IOHANNIS HORNIĜWOLD. 1276

Grant by Cristina, relict of Ranulf of Salop, to Wulstan of Salop of a tenement in Huksterestret between a tenement Wulstan held of the Earl of Warwick, and one he held of Richard Siward in Huxsterestret.

Witnesses: William Colle, bailiff, John Comyn, William Rokulf, Henry of Aston, Walter Quoyntrel, Richard of Evesham, Peter Colle, and many others.

Wednesday in the vigil of the Ascension, 22 Edward I. (1294).

Seal lost. 1277

Grant by John le Heyre, citizen of Worcester, heir of Walter of Worthyn, citizen, to Thomas of Wotthom and Isabel his wife, of his tenement in Huksterstret, between that of Gilbert atte Forest and Richard Gybbesone in Huxstertret, and reaching from there to the street called Forest, and a tenement in Lychestret between that of John le Frend and John of Pydele, and reaching from . . . . to the land of Nicholas Gascoyne.

Witnesses: John Belleyetere and Simon Gros, bailiffs, Roger le Tavernor, Simon Poche, John Crich, and others.

Worcester, Wednesday in St. Scholastica, 25 Edward III. (1351).

Seal defaced, heraldic. 1278

Grant by Peter de Greote, citizen, to Richard of Chalveston, citizen, of a tenement in Huxsterstrete, between that of Walter le Mercer and Roger Gnawbon, in Huckesterestrete, except all the shops of . . . . the merchant, at a rent of 20*s.* sterling.

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Thomas Tynckar, bailiffs, Thomas of Tolwardyn, Simon Poche, Richard atte Mulle, and others.

Worcester, Sunday before St. Katherine, 24 Edward III. (1350).

Seal: a fragment, a demi figure of a man, N. C. A. T. E. V. 1279

Lease by John Cassh', citizen, and Rose his wife, to Walter his son, of a shop between that of Thomas Robynes of Salwarpe and le Alechambre in Huckesterstret, reaching "to our hall there," paying to Rose 2*s.* rent.

Witnesses: John Spelly and Nicholas le Dyre, bailiffs, Simon Stretch, Walter Cassh', senior, Thomas de Bokerton, and others.

Worcester, Friday after Easter, 28 Edward III. (1354).

Two seals: 1. Two birds picking at a tree, ILLIUS IESU D . IS. 2. A male head couped between a cross patty and a bird. IESUS EI DAMOVLIE. 1280

Release by Richard Chalveston and Isolde his wife to Hugh Steveneys of all claim in a tenement in Hucksterstret which he held of Peter of Greote for life.

Witnesses: Robert Baret and William Bayard, bailiffs, Robert Bayle, John Palmere, John Roberts, and others.

Worcester, Monday in St. Valentine, 47 Edward III. (1373).

Two seals lost. 1281

Lease by Thomas Tolwardyn, citizen, to John of Beaumont of a tenement in Hocsterestret, between the shop John Lyngeyn and Hugh Cooke held of the Prior, and the tenement of John Haneleye, reaching from the street to the close William Whytechurch held.

Witnesses: Thomas Lychfeld and William Pycard, bailiffs, Robert Hayle, Richard Cowarne, John Herforde, John Tolwardyne, Hugh Cooke, Nicholas Fysschar, and others.

Worcester, Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord, 7 Richard II. (1383).

Fragment of a seal. 1282

Grant by John Derlton, clerk, to John Bache and Isolde his wife of a tenement in Hockesterestrete, between those of Thomas Tolwardyne and John Alcestre, and reaching from the street to the garden of John Thurgrym.

Witnesses: Richard Comyn and John Sukkeleye, bailiffs, Robert Hayle, Robert Meysmore, John Bredon and others.

Worcester, Wednesday before St. Gregory, 13 Richard II. (1390).

Seal lost. 1283

Grant by William Mete, citizen, and Cecily his wife to Thomas Boner and John Sallowy, chaplains, of a tenement in Huksterstrete.

Witnesses: John Omburley and Hugh Dockynge, bailiffs, Hugh Joly, Richard Alcetur, Hugh Fawkenor, and others.

Worcester, Feast of St. Scholastica, 29 Henry VI. (1451).

Two seals lost. 1284

Hilton Street (in St. Clement's).

Release by Robert le Mercer to Richard le Mercer, citizen of Worcester, of all claim in a messuage, curtilage, and rents of which he stood enfeoffed by Walter le Mercer in Hultonestrete.

Witnesses: John of Estleye and John Comyn, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Borgeys, Richard Senescall, Henry of Astone, Walter Cradam, and others.

Seal lost. 1285

Release by Walter Lenemon to Roger le Furbur, citizen, of all claim in 4*d*. rent out of land lying between that of Robert Lester and that of the grantor next Hultone.

Witnesses: John Cradam, Richard Peche, Henry Faukener, Richard de Pechesley, John Dani of Pechesley, Mathew of Halloe, and others.

Seal lost. 931

Grant by Walter Lenemon, confirming to Roger le Furbur, citizen, a plot of land between that of Robert Lester and Walter Salters, without Hultone. Paying yearly to the light of the Blessed Mary, 4*d*.

Witnesses: Richard of Grunenhulle, Richard of Pechesley, John Davis, Osbert of Beverbourne, Mathew of Hallowe, Richard the Miller, Simon Waleraunde of Pechesley, William de Wendeforde, and others.

934

Quitclaim by Helen, relict of Walter Baldwin of Hyndewyk, to Robert le Mercer, for his service and for 9*s*. rent, out of land lying between that of William Orim and William of Optone, and a plot next the King's ditch between the meadow John Priches held and the said tenement.

Witnesses: Henry Cointrel and Robert of Poywic, bailiffs, John Cradam, Richard Priche, Hugh le Clerk, Henry le Fawkenor, Thomas Treweman, Osbert of Beverbourne, and others.

Oval seal: A quatrefoil. S' . . . . INEWYK. 1286

Grant by Robert le Mercer to Walter his son of land in Hultonestrete.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John Kumyn, bailiffs, James Aubyn, John of Esteleye, John, son of Osbert, John, son of Richard, Walter Cradam, Walter of . . . ., Thomas Treweman, Hugh le Clerk, and others.

Seal lost. 1287

Grant by Waleran of Hyndewyke and Benedict of Herdewyke of lands in Hultone, next Graveslond, viz., an acre on Hultone and land in Bisshopesdich.

Witnesses: Thomas of Stoke, seneschal of the prior, Eudo Suviett, Nicholas, son of Dani, Simon of Pechesley, William Hybun, John del Ac.

Seal lost. 1288

Grant by Roger, son of John de monte, to the Priory, to the use of the gardener, of 6 selions of land in the Hultonefeld, between land of the grantor and that of William Francis.

Witnesses: Philip le Hunte, William Pride, William le Triller, Gervase of Gutringe, Walter of Clevelode, John Francis, Richard of the Grene, and others.

Seal lost. 1289

Release by Cristiana, relict of Richard Burewold of Worcester, to Robert le Mercer of all her dower in Hultonestrete, which lies between lands of John Cradam and Simon of Boraston.

Witnesses: . . . and Peter Peet, bailiffs, Pain Burgeys, John Cradam, Richard Prich, Thomas Trewemon, Henry le Hunte, and many others.

Oval seal: A star and crescent. S' CRISTIANE BURE . . . D. 1290

Grant by Walter Cradam, clerk, to Richard le Mercer of a tenement between that of the said Richard and Hultonestret, paying rent of 1*d.* to the bishop quarterly.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and William le Enneyse, bailiffs, John Comyn, John le Caretter, John Burewold, Henry Priour, John le Crompe, and others.

Seal lost. 1291

Grant by Richard le Priour, citizen, to Robert le Mercer of 2*d.* rent out of a messuage between that of Roger of Sceldesley and the street called Hultone.

Witnesses: . . . and John Kumyn, bailiffs, Walter Cradam, Hugh le Clerk, John, son of Walter, William le Wiche, and many others.

Seal lost. 1292

Grant by Agnes Minot to Robert Lester of land in Hultonestret, lying between lands of Adam Wille and the said Robert.

Witnesses: Walter le Mercer, Peter Peet, John Cradam, Richard Priche, Henry Fauckenor, Thomas Trowemon, Walter of Snedune, Peter Squibs, clerk, and others.

Seal lost. 1293

Grant by Peter, son of Geoffrey Wolmer, to Hugh of Gryminhulle of a messuage called Wolvernescroft [1], lying between land of Walter Herin and Walter Kenemon and that of Henry of Cadere. Paying to the Priory 40*d.*

Witnesses: Osbert of Beverbourne, John David, Walter Kenemon, Walter Herin, Henry of Cadere, Gervase of Gitung, Thomas Treweman.

Seal: A star. S' PETRI WLMARE. 1294

Grant by Roger, son and heir of John of the Hulle of Bedewurthin, to the gardener of the Priory of 8*d.* rent, which Walter Burewold and Walter of Wyggemore rendered to the said John, and 8 acres which escheated through the felony of William, son of William Francis, and two plots which Alice, mother of grantor, held in dower at 2*s.* 6*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Thomas of Pirie, Richard of Grunenhulle, Richard of Pechesley, William of Beverbourne, Mathew of Hallowe, Walter of Colewyke, Benedict le Notare, and others.

Seal lost. 1295

Grant by Walter le Mercer, chaplain, son and heir to Robert le Mercer, to Richard le Mercer, citizen, of the messuage he had by the gift of his father in Hultonestrete and 2*d.* rent out of a tenement next land of Robert de Scheldesleye.

Witnesses: John of Estleye and John Comyn, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Pain Borgeys, Richard Seneschall, Henry of Astone, William Cradam, and others.

Seal lost. 1296

Quitclaim by Roger le Hunter of Ridmareleye Dabetot, to Richard le Mercer of all claim in 1*d.* rent out of a tenement next that of Walter Cradam in Hultonestret.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, John le Caretter, John Burewold, John le Crompe, Richard Salomon, and others.

Dated Worcester, on the Vigil of St. Michael, 26 Edward I. (1298).

1297

Release by Agnes, widow of Peter of Greote, citizen, to John of Todenham, vicar of the church of Overbury, of all claim in a toft and croft, &c., which her husband had held in Hultonstrete.

[1] Wulvernes, masc. gen. of Wulvern, i.e. A.-S. Wulf-georn, and so it is Wulfgeorn's Croft. MS. letter from Prof. Skeat.

Witnesses: Thomas Foliot, William Cartare, Thomas Cartare, William of Norton, William of Spechesleye, and many others.

Dated Bedwardine, Sunday before SS. Simon and Jude, 31 Edward III. (1357).

Seal lost. 1298

Key Street (in St. Alban's).

Lease, dated 28 January, 13 Charles II. (1662), by Thomas Warmstrey, D.D., Dean of Worcester, and the Chapter there, to Thomas Greene of Christ Church, Oxford, on the surrender of a lease of a tenement in the Keine street, in St. Albans, which reached to the way near Corviser's Lane, 11 taylors' yard, on the north, and 12 on the south, at a rent of 2*s.*, and the indenture granted to his father, Thomas Greene, clothier, of Worcester, November, 3 Charles I. (1627).

Signed and sealed. 968

[1] *La Beche.*

Grant by Sanson Trien, with the assent of Alured of Penhulle, to the Prior and Convent of all the land held of the said Alured at La Beche, with its liberties, &c.

Witnesses: Sir Henry de Ribleford, Thomas of Stoke, Richard the Janitor, Nicol, son of David, Benedict, John Pascal, and others.

Seal lost. 1329

La Knolle[2] *(in St. Michael's in Bedwardine).*

Grant by Geoffrey of Abyndone and Margaret of Braunsforde his wife, to Richard of Eynteleye, vicar of the church of Hallowe, Sir James of Ree, and John Froucestre, chaplains of the Cathedral, of a toft outside the Prior's gate, next La Knolle, and a toft next that of Alexander of Besfford, esquire, and Symon of Ancredam, citizen of Worcester. Paying 20*d.* to the light before the shrines of SS. Wulstan and Oswald.

Witnesses: Richard of Mayzemore and John Bredone, bailiffs, Master John of Segesberewe, notary of the prior, William of Kydermynster, John Bache, Ralph of Batenhale, Thomas Taylur, Walter Saweare, John Stoke, taylur, Robert Taylur, Thomas Abyndone, corveser, and many others.

Dated at Worcester, 22 Feb. 9, Richard II. (1386).

Seals: 1. An oval. A figure with a ladder an estoile above. S AVL . . LE. 2. Defaced, S' D . . I . . ROI. 1299

Release by Richard de Synteleye, vicar of the church of Hallow, to John Froucestre, vicar of the church of St. John, of all his claim in . . .

[1] La Beche = beach, i.e. shingles. [2] Knolle, O.E. Cnoll, a hill-top.

in the street called La Knolle, between the tenement of Henry Tayllur on the West and that of ... Besford on the East.

Witnesses: John Flechere, John Smyth of Hallow, John Hulle of Bedwardine, Geoffrey Newemon, William Kedurminstre, Richard Batenhale, and others.

Dated Worcester, Tuesday after St. John the Baptist, 14 Richard II. (1390).

Seal: A ship with a cross at the masthead ... LEVOV .... LOV. 1300

[1] *La Siche (in St. Helen's, &c.).*

Release by Katherine, widow of Thomas Edwy of Estwode, of all her rights in La Siche, in the land lying between a field of the Bishop and that of Philip of Hanbury, to Richard of ... the camerarius.

Witnesses: Thomas of Stoke, Robert of Estwode, Geoffrey, son of Wydo, of Hanbury, Henry of Lannere, Geoffrey his brother, Robert Smith of Hanbury, Nicholas de Monte.

Seal: A triangle, S'; KAT ... ES ... 1301

[2] *Lich Street (in St. Helen's).*

Release by Isolde, relict of Nicolas Atten Oldecrofte, widow, to John of Sallow and Susan his wife, of all her claim in la Lichlone, viz. in the plot joining the tenement of Richard Frend.

Dated Worcester, All Saints, 12 Edward II. (1316).

Seal defaced. A fleur-de-lis. 1302

Grant by the said Susan to Henry of Sallowe, clerk, of two messuages, one in Lychstrete next the house of .... taverner, and the other in Neldere-strete, between the tenements of Richard le Belyetere and John le Mercer.

Witnesses: William le Mercer and Richard of Tettebury, bailiffs, William Roculf, William his son, John le Mercer, Richard le Bellyeter, John Lony, William le Carter, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday after the Invention of the Holy Cross, 15 Edward II. (1322).

Seal lost. 1303

Release by John, son of John of Pirie, to Richard of St. John, clerk, of all claim in the tenement which Richard had by gift of Thomas le Poleter.

[1] Siche. A.-S., Sice, a watercourse. La Siche is the Norman form.

[2] This cannot be the Middle-English Leche, a physician, A.-S. lāēce, but must be liche, a corpse, from A.-S., lic., a body, whether alive or dead.

Witnesses: William Roculf, . . ., son of Roger Smythe, Thomas Deye, John of Braunford, John of Sallow, Nicolas of Gloucester, Thomas of Fladbury.

Dated, Thursday in SS. Simon and Jude, 10 Edward II. (1316).

Seal lost. 1557

Release by Edith, daughter and heir of Roger the Bowyar of Worcester, to John the Goldbeter, citizen, and Agnes his wife, of his claim in a tenement in Lyche strete, which he had by feoffment of Mary and Agnes, sisters of Edith, and which is situated next that of Margaret of Stodeleye.

Witnesses: William Rokulf, bailiff, John Lony, Thomas Gros, Nicolas of Muyrs, William Goldsmith, Nicolas the Coppersmith, John Dalby, clerk.

Dated Worcester, Friday after St. Martin, 7 Edward III. (1333).

Seal: A quatrefoil. S': ED 1304

Grant by Margery, daughter and heir of Henry of Stodleye, widow, to John of Todenham and Nicolas Corel of tenements in Lychstret.

Witnesses: John Spelly and John Doyare, bailiffs, Walter of Longeneye, William Barber, John of Pydele, and many others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday next the Deposition of St. Oswald, 17 Edward III. (1343).

Seal lost. 1305

Release by William, son of John of Sallow, to the Prior and Convent of Worcester of all his claim in a plot of land in Lychestrete, between that tenement of the Sacrist and that of John Frend, and in length from the close of the Charnelhouse to a tenement of John of Pidele, which lies between that of the Sacrist and the Lichegate.

Witnesses: John Lony and Walter de Hayles, bailiffs, Peter of Greote, William the Caretter, John the Mercer, William Roculf, Simon Gros, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday after St. Barnabas, 19 Edward III. (1345).

Seal: The Holy Mother and Child. AVE MARIA BEATA. 1306

Grant by John the Goldsmith, citizen, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Elemosinarius, of a plot in Lychestrete, which he held by gift of Robert of Almeyngne, between tenements of the Elemosinarius on either side.

Witnesses: Philip of Kyngton, John of Leomynstre, bailiffs, Thomas Clyfton, John Alyncestre, John of Schepeleye, John Morynge, Thomas Bron, and many others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday after St. Aldhelm, 38 Edward III. (1364).

Seal: A bird. S. JOHANNIS GOLDO. 1307

Lease by John[1], prior of Worcester, to Edmund of Elmeleye, cementarius, of a tenement in Lychgate in the parish of St. Michael, which John of Pidele held, next the manse of John of Rutton, and opposite that of Elizabeth Carpenter, for forty years, at a rent of 10*s*. yearly.

Seal gone. Undated. 1308

Lease by John the Goldsmith to William Morys and Agnes his wife, and John their son, of a cellar beneath his shop, near the shop of John the fuyster and land of the Sacrist, for 24 years from the 43rd of Edward III. (1369).

Seal lost. 1309

Release by John, son of John of Pyrie, and Margaret his wife, daughter of Andrew, the peyntour, to Henry of Astone, citizen, and Alice his wife, and their heirs, of all claim in three shops in Lichestrete, situated between the tenement of Henry and that of Reginald, which Thomas called the pulter held by the gift of Margaret, mother of John.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Henry of Stodeleye, bailiffs, Richard the Mercer, William Colle, John of Feckenham, Richard the Beleytere, Thomas of Braunsford.

Dated Worcester, on the Feast of St. Katherine, 4 Edward III. (1330).

Seal: An estoile. S'; J. FIL. IOH'IS DE PIRIE. 1310

Lease, 30 November, 14 Henry VIII. (1522), by Roger Mecham, sacrist, to Humphrey Gateford of a tenement in the Sanctuarie in Lychstret, next that of Henry Nicollys, wherein Humphrey Brechwell dwelt, for life, at 6*s*. 8*d*. yearly rent.

Seal: A monogram I. N. 1311

Lease, 30 November, 14 Henry VIII. (1522), by the said Sacrist to William Willie of a tenement in ye Sanctuarie, which William Bedull held at 5*s*. rent.

Seal as last. 1312

Lease by John Barlowe, dean, to John Danks of St. Michael's, butcher, of a tenement at the corner of Lechestret nigh the sign of the Cardinall's Hatt in the Parish of St. Michael, for 60 years at 40*s*.

Dated 7 October, 3 Edward VI. (1549). 1313

Lease by Joseph Hall, dean, to Hugh Phillipps and Anne his wife, of St. Michael's, of the tenement called the "Three Cranes," in the

[1] Probably John de Evesham, 1340—1370.

possession of John Fearnall, on the surrender of their lease dated 25 November, 31 Elizabeth.

24 November, 19 James I. (1621). 1314

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Quirinus Vinnen, assignee of Robert Edlinson, of a tenement in Leechestret, for 40 years at 6*s.* 8*d.* rent.

Dated 25 November, 22 Charles II. (1670). 1315

[1] *Losemoor (in St. Martin's).*

Grant of Thomas of Pebmore, citizen, to John the skynner of a tenement between those of Walter Pacy and Margery Perkins in the street called Losemore, reaching to Whistonefeld.

Witnesses: Thomas of Tolwardyne and Robert Baret, bailiffs, Richard Lorebagge, Robert Morice, William Eliot, and others.

Worcester, Wednesday after St. Valentine, 31 Edward III. (1357).

Seal lost. 1315a

The Mill (in St. Peter's the Great).

Grant by John, son of Adam Payn, heir of Robert of St. Godewale, to the elemosinarius of the Priory, of a croft opposite St. Godewal's, which Robert of Spechesleye, knight, sold him, and which he holds of William, son of Luke of Newelond, viz. of the windmill croft, and 10 feet outside its ditch.

Seal lost. 1316

Grant by William, son of Luke of Newelond, to the elemosinarius, of the mill next Worcester, which Robert de St. Godewal held, with the milldítch he bought of John, son of Adam Payn, at a rent of a pair of gloves or 1*d.*

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, and William of Pidele, provosts, Richard the Clerk, William þareford, Simon the Bellfounder (Campanarius), Osbert of the bridge, Adam Payn, John, son of the same, Adam Penik, and many others.

Seal lost. 1317

Grant by John, son of Adam Payne, confirming to William of Newelond, for service, 5 marks in gersuma out of the mill outside Worcester, at a rent of a pair of gloves at Easter.

[1] See footnote on page 49.

Witnesses: Sir Roger le Poer, Sir Richard of Spechesle, Sir Bartholomew of Crickeboreg, Jordan of Oudeleye, John of Cricheboreg, Osbert of the gate (*de Porta*), Symon le Seinter, Adam Penik, and others.

Seal lost. 1318

Monkswood (in Grimley).

Release by William de la Fortheye of Grimley to the Prior and Convent of all claim in Moncheswode.

Witnesses: Richard of Grunnenhulle, Richard of Pechesleye, Nicolas Dani, Henry of Pechesleye, Henry of Dumbletone, and others.

Dated Grimele, Monday before St. John ante portam Latinam, 26 Edward I. (1298).

Seal: An 8-foil . . . E. WILLI . . . ORT . . . 1319

[1] *Neldare Strete (Pump Street in St. Helen's).*

Release by Olive, relict of John, son of Stephen, to Cristina her daughter, of 10*s.* rent out of two houses in Nilderestret.

Witnesses: Walter *mercenarius*, John Prichet, Pain Borgeys, John, son of Alexander, William Peet, Peter Peete, William the Mercer, and others.

Seal lost. 1320

Grant by Cristina widow of Adam the Tapyser, to John the Merchant, and his heirs, of all claim in the tenement between that of William Springefeld and Hugh the Goldsmith in Neldere stret.

Witnesses: Walter le Enneyse, John Pykesene, Walter of Worcester, Richard the Seneschal, William Frene, Richard of Grimely, and others.

Seal lost. 1321

Release by Cecily Colle, widow, to Richard the Mercer of all claim in 6*d.* rent, which Richard Papere rendered out of a tenement situated between that of Robert the Goldsmith, son of Master Robert the Goldsmith, and that of Robert the parchmenter in Nelderestrete.

Witnesses: John Comyn, William Roculf, John the Caretter, Henry of Aston, Richard the Belezetere, Thomas of the Hurste, John of Feckenham, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday in Easter, 30 Edward I. (1302).

Seal lost. 1322

[1] Neldere, old form of Needler, possibly the genitive plural, rather than Nelderes in the singular.

Newport[1] (*in All Saints'*).

Bond of Thomas Rudge to the Dean and Chapter to fulfil covenants anent a tenement in Newport.

4 September, 3—4 Philip and Mary (1556). 1323

Northditch (*in St. Nicolas'*).

Lease by Richard, son of Jordan le Yepe, citizen, and Isabel his wife, to William of Cestre, merchant, of a tenement with its curtilage, situated between that of Adam Wille, outside Le Foregate, and the Nordich, from St. Mary in March, for 24 years.

Witnesses: Walter le Enneyse and William Roculf, bailiffs, John Comyn, John Caretter, Nicolas de Claynes, Adam le Faunerer, and others.

Two seals lost. 1324

Northgate (*Foregate in St. Nicolas'*).

Grant by John, son of Edwin of Bedewardin, to Bryan, son of Walter Marescall, of 15*d.* rent which Adam, son of Richard, paid.

Witnesses: John Tery, Walter *de porta*, Reginald *de portario*, Adam and John, Alan the Fisherman, William Bleiatone, John of Hoicthune, Osbert Furintone, Reginald, son of Nigel, Adam the Clerk.

Fragment of seal: . . . WINI. 1325

Lease by Richard Eedes, dean, to John Tomkines of a tenement in Northgatestreet, late in the tenure of Walter Gybes, weaver, having on the South that of Richard Birdell, walker, and on the North that of William Oldwell, at 16*s.* rent.

1 December, 42 Elizabeth (1599). 1326

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to Thomas Jourden of London, factor, assignee of Thomas Huntach, on the surrender of a lease dated . . . . of a plot of waste, occupied by Stephen Field, clothier, having on the South the tenement of William Apperly, clothier.

24 June, 13 Chas. II. (1661). 1327

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to William Emms, cordwainer, kinsman of Thomas Emms, assignee of Richard Carwardine, clothier, on the surrender of a lease dated 17 November, 16 Charles I., of a tenement being burned in the late wars and a new building erected in Northgate or

[1] See also Eport.

Forrest streete, having the tenement of George Knight, clothier, on the South, and that of Peter Blount, gent., on the North.

Signed: 25 November, 21 Charles II. (1669). 1328

Portwey.

Grant by Edith, daughter and heir of John Forber, citizen, widow of William of Asteley, chaplain, and John Barbor, of a curtilage held by Peter Colle, between that of the Earl of Warwick and the Infirmarius of the House of Worcester, reaching from the Portwey to the Portdich.

Witnesses: Thomas of Cliftone and Thomas Bron, bailiffs, John atte Birch, John Chamberlyn, Geoffrey Fust, Alexander Carles.

Worcester, Monday next St. Gregory, 40 Edward III. (1366).

Seal lost. 1330

[1] *Powick Lane (in All Saints').*

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to William Vicke, taylor, of a piece of land at the back of the house of George Scarlet, clothier, wherein Philip Hurdman, baker, dwells, and a buttery late in the tenure of Edward Wheeler, occupied by Francis Haines, for 40 years at 20*d.* rent.

13 Sept,. 12 Charles II. (1660).

Signed and sealed. 1331

Lease dated 25 June, 19 Charles II. (1667), from William Thomas, D.D., Dean of the Cathedral, to William Swift of Worcester, draper, on surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 14 Charles I., made in favour of Robert Sollers, gent., of Worcester, of a tenement and stable at the backside of the 'Croft,' now in the tenure of Joyce Shaler, widow, reaching from the said tenement to Powickes Lane.

Signed and sealed. 974

The Quay.

Demise by William, Richard, and Thomas Littelton and Christopher Goldsmyth, vicar of Bromsgrove, Richard Cauk, parson of Elnfield, John Grafton and John Oxcliffe, to the Prior and Convent of lands and tenements at the Key and in Keyen Strete, viz., that land next the tenements of the Erle of Warwick and others, with a garden between that of Elizabeth Dopping and the Erle; A toft in Wodestarestrete between the tenement of Benet Taylor and Richard Yardley; also two "mese places" lying together

[1] Possibly the name arose from a family named Powick who had land there.

in Byrdeport, between that of Walter East (sometime William Lewys') and that of William Eastonhall; also a mese place in Foryatestrete between land of Thomas Syblys and the garden of Henry Ager; and a toft at the end of Melechepyng between the tenement of Robert Throkmarton and that of the White Ladies of Whiston; a plot in the tenure of Robert Wyseham in Sudbury, between lands of the Prior and those of John Salwey, pryst (sometime Draytons'); also a plot of meadow in Prychcroft, between the "Saltwey" and the meadow of Thomas Swynnerton, for 60 years. The Convent convenanting to find a monk of their order "to synge or sey a masse at an autur halowed in the worschipp of Seynt George and Seynt Christofer; in the body of the churche of the seid monastery, on the South side; at VIII of the clok afore noon, or thereabowtys; as it is nowe don . . . and the seid monke . . . shall specially pray for the Soulys of Sr Thomas Littleton, knyght, sometyme one of the kyng's jugges of his comonen plece, Thomas Hewster and Elizabeth his wife, fader and mother unto the seid Sr Thomas Littleton, and for the soulys of Sr William Burley his fader in lawe, and Sr Phylipp Chetewyn, and for all the sowles that the seid Sr Thomas is bownden to pray for; and every suche monke there syngyng shall say every Fryday at the seid aulter a masse of Requiem with *placebo* and *dirige* in the choir every year."

Dated 12 June, 20 Edward IV. (1480). 1332

Quitclaim of the above, 4 October, 22 Edward IV. (1482).

Seals: 1. A helm with a griffin's head . . . VIS IBIDM. 2. A Stag's head caboshed with a bugle between its antlers. Three others lost. 1333

Lease by John Barlow, dean, to John Mouselowe and his assigns, of a plot at the corner of the street by the Severne; leading from Holhollensteare towards the Keye or water wharfe; in the occupation of Thomas Inowle, next the house of John Astmore, brewer; also a house on the other side of the said street, next the house of the grantee.

Dated 24 September, 6 Edward VI. (1552).

Seal: A conventional ornament. 1334

St. Alban's.

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Thomas Philpotts, assignee of Thomas Greene of Christ Church, Oxford, to whom it was leased, 28 November, 13 Charles II., of a tenement in Keine strete, reaching to a way near Corveser's lane in the parish of St. Alban, and in the occupation of Paul Hancock, weaver, for 40 years at 2*s*. rent.

Dated 25 November, 23 Charles II. (1671). 1335

St. Andrew's.

Lease by Thomas Mildenham, prior, to Richard Castell and Elizabeth his wife, of a tenement on the Severn side, opposite the Key, in which William Gorton dwelt, for 40 years at 31*s.* 4*d.* rent.

1 October, 17 Henry VII. (1501).

Seal lost. 1336

Bond of Richard Castell to keep convenants.

Dated as last.

Seal: An orb. 1337

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Anne Barber, widow, maltster, of St. Andrew's, on the surrender of a lease to Richard Williams, her late husband, of a messuage at the corner of Cooken stret and that called "Beerport," having on the East the tenement of Christopher Chance, clothier, and on the North of Dorothy Hollins, widow.

26 June, 23 Charles II. (1671). 1338

St. Clement's.

Charter of Hugh, son of Hervey, to all his men, friends, servants, provosts, and burgesses of Worcester, stating that he has granted to John his servant (*nutritus*) and Edgar his chaplain, all the land Edgar held near the Severn Bridge and the Church of St. Clement, at 6*d.* rent; and to John a gold ring, and to John his son a gold badge (*afficha*).

Witnesses: Richard Mustel, Hugh Blund, Simon P . . ., Hugh of Longfield (de Longocampo), ... hel, Edwin and William, provosts, Adam, John Colle, William, parnitar, Robert his brother, Mark his son.

(Temp. Henry II.)

Seal lost. 1339

Fragment of a grant by John de Wycheneford to Henry Doddeham. 1340

Lease by John[1], prior of Worcester, to Juliane Calabre, for life, of two shops at the Bridgend, between the lane of St. Clement and the tenement of Philip *le venour.*

Witnesses: William Roculf and Henry of Stodleye, bailiffs, Adam of Pidele, William Persoun, Robert the dyer (Le Teyntour).

Dated Worcester, Feast of St. Gregory, 6 Edward II. (1313).

Seal lost. 1341

[1] John de Wyke, 1301—1317.

Release by Stephen Lylie to the Prior and Convent of all claim in ½*d.* rent out of a tenement in St. Clement, situated between the tenements of Richard Byllar and Richard Trillare.

Witnesses: Richard of Witton, Richard Crompe, Richard of Ely, and others.

Dated Worcester, Feast of All Saints, 16 Edward II. (1322). 1342

Release by John le Rook, citizen, to Agnes his daughter of all claim in that tenement which John Frewen held, between the bridges called Severnebrugge and Tibrugge, with a plot and messuage in Bedwardyne, which John Flemynges held, and 9 selions in the middle field next Dolton.

Witnesses: Philip of Kyngton and John of Leomynstre, bailiffs; Roger of Goldecote, Henry Benge, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Monday after Pentecost, 38 Henry III. (1254).

Seal lost. 1343

Lease, 4 March, 13 Henry VII. (1498), by William[1], prior of Worcester, to John Terett alias Kerver, Elizabeth his wife, and Joan their daughter, of a tenement near the bridge over the Severne belonging to the Tumbarius, at 8*s.* rent.

Seal defaced. 1344

Lease by William Bordesley, master of the chapel, to Roger Bury of Worcester, of a parcel of meadow next Cutthrote Lane in St. Clement's, in the tenure of John Halle, grasyer, for 40 years at 6*s.* rent.

Dated Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 23 Henry VIII. (1532).

Seal: a W. 1345

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to Henry Townshend of the Precincts, esquire, of the Hawthorne meadow and Muncks meadow, where Hardwick Court late stood; also of the Kechiner's meadow and Munckes Orchard, all in the Parish of St. Clement, for 21 years at 48*s.* rent.

Signed and dated, 7 November, 12 Charles II. (1660). 1346

St. Helen.

Quitclaim by Thomas of the Holte, son of Hugh, to the Prior and Convent of all claim in 5*s.* rent out of a shop opposite the Church of St. Helen, at the corner of Corviser's Place.

[1] William Wenlok.

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Richard of Creesul, bailiffs, John the Mercer, Walter the Mercer, Walter of Longeneye, William the Goldsmith, John of Pidele.

Seal: . . . . VIDIO. S. . . . 1347

Charter of Sylvester[1], bishop of Worcester, granting to the Prior and Convent, "on account of their poverty," the church of St. Helen, with all its appurtenances and rights.

Witnesses: Master Nicolas of Hamptone, Official of the Bishop, Master John of Wich, Reginald and Thomas, chaplains, William of Budiforde, Helyas, Walter Lench and William of Huntingdone, clerks, and many others.

Seal lost. 1348

Grant by John of la Lee, and Nichola his wife, widow of Richard of Hauckelowe, to John of Hulle, carpenter, of a tenement between that of John of Forthamptone and Osric of Burgh.

Witnesses: John Gorwy and Roger Gnawebon, bailiffs, William the Cartere, Peter de Cruce, John the Mercer, Walter the Carter.

Dated Sunday in SS. Philip and James, 13 Edward III. (1340).

Seals: 1. A fess fusilly; in chief two martlets, and in base a molet of six points . . . . LWLLE. 2. Two birds plucking fruit from a palm-tree. SIGILL' ROGERI CU . . . 1349

Lease by Henry Holbeche, dean, to John Braughynge, gent., and Elizabeth his wife, of a shop and two chambers in St. Helen's, in the angle of the street called St. Alban's strete, opposite the church of St. Helen, next the tenement of John Payne on both sides, for 40 years at 6*s.* 8*d.*

Dated 18 April, 35 Henry VIII. (1544).

Two seals: 1. JB. 2. RH. 1350

Lease by William Blizard of a house in the High Street, between that lately occupied by John Steyner, gent., on the north and that of William Sabrye. Also two other tenements in the tenure of William Sabrye and James Dennison, which are now transferred to William Saunders.

Signed and sealed, 10 November, 11 James I. (1613). 1351

[1] A.D. 1216—1218.

Lease, 1 November, 14 Charles I. (1638), by Christopher Potter, dean, to George Strete, clothier, on the surrender of two messuages with gardens, held of the manor of Gestenhall, by copy of court roll dated 7 April, 6 James I., being in the Leech street, in the parish of St. Helen; between a tenement in the tenure of John Wallys, deceased, and now in the tenure of Humphrey Luecock, and land of Thomas Streete, gent., and late in the occupation of John Coker, and a garden lately occupied by Elizabeth, relict of John Rowland, for 40 years at 30*s.* rent.

Signed. 1352

Lease dated 7 November, 12 Charles II. (1660), by John Oliver, dean, to Philipp Bearcroft of Worcester, chandler, of a tenement containing a shop and basement with two chambers over it, in the corner of High Street and Fish Street, next the house of Robert Fleete, gent., and reaching from the corner of St. Albone's Lane alias Fish Street to the tenement of the said Robert; late in the occupation of Richard Smith, butcher. Bond attached. 1353

Lease by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Elizabeth, relict of Edward George, baker, on the surrender of another lease dated 23 June, 17 Charles I., of tenements in the High street, between those of John Walsted, gent., on the South (now in the tenure of Anthony Winser, esquire), and on the North that of William Mence, glover, reaching back to land of Robert Walsgrove, alias Fleete (now in the tenure of Richard Brinley, clothier), for 40 years at £3 16*s.* 8*d.*

Signed and sealed. 1354

Lease dated 7 July, 20 Charles II. (1668), by William Thomas, dean, to George Hill of Worcester, gent., on the surrender of a lease dated 3 November . . . . Charles I., of a messuage in Coken street, lately occupied by Andrew . . . . having on the East the tenement of Edward Thomason, and on the West that of Edward . . . ., for 40 years at . . .

Signed and sealed. 1355

Lease dated 21 January, 42 Elizabeth, 1599 (1600), between the Dean and Chapter and John Wilson of Worcester, vintner, of a tenement at the corner of the street by St. Helen's church, by the lane leading to the water Wharf, once in the tenure of Thomas Mowle, and now in the occupation of Thomas S . . . th, and joining the back of the house of Kallam Mownes-lowe, butcher.

To this is sewn Wilson's bond to keep covenant.

Dated 21 January, 1599. 965

Lease dated 25 November, 22 Charles II. (1670), by William Thomas, dean, to Edward Belson of Worcester, gent., as assignee of John Charlett, on the surrender of a lease dated 1 November, 14 Charles I., of a messuage (formerly in two tenements), between the house of Edward Harcott, clothier, on the North (late in the tenure of Jakeman Barber, chirurgeon), and abutting Eastwards on land of the Cathedral, for 40 years at 26*s.* 8*d.*

Signed. 1356

St. Nicholas.

Bond of John Dunn to the Dean and Chapter, to perform covenants.

Dated 1 February, 2-3 Philip and Mary (1555).

Seal : The head of Minerva. 1357

Lease, much decayed, to William Eymoor of Worcester of a tenement in St. Nicolas . . . . late in the tenure of . . . . Tysye.

Dated 24 September, 4-5 Philip and Mary (1557).

Seal as last. 1358

Lease by Philip Haford, dean, to John Donne of two tenements in the Foregate, late in the tenure of John Rede, currier, and Alexander Metall, for 40 years at 16*s.* 8*d.*

Dated 1 September, 3-4, Philip and Mary (1557).

Seal as last. 1359

Release and Bond by Thomas Wilson, dean, to Francis Street, gent., of two tenements in the Foregate, next his house.

Dated 25 November, 24 Elizabeth (1581). To this is attached a lease to Roger Dovy, goldsmith, dated 25 November, 12 Elizabeth, of a tenement in Backestears Street, having on the North that of Richard Kyrry, and on the South that of Thomas Bolton. There is also attached a surrender by William Gibbins, gent., to the dean and chapter, dated 24 June, 3 James I. 1360

Lease by Arthur Lake, dean, to John Tomkins of a tenement in Northgate strete in St. Nicolas, having on the South that of Nicolas Bedle, walker, and on the North that of William Oldwell, and reaching to the land of Edward Bratt, mercer, at the Gravel Butts, for 40 years at 16*s.*

25 November, 12 James I. (1614). 1361

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Lease by Arthur Lake, dean, to Robert Steyner, gent., John Bachler, gent., John Tomkins, gent., Richard English, gent., Edward Sowley, gent., Nicolas Bagnall, John Phillipps, Thomas Huntbach, and Robert Hughes, parishioners of St. Nicolas, of three tenements in the Foregatestrete, in the occupation of John Donne, John Reedweywer and Alexander Mechall, the profits to be given to the poor, for the term of 60 years at 16*s.* 8*d.* rent.

With bond attached, 25 November, 14 James I. (1616). 1362

Lease by Christopher Potter, dean, to Nicolas Archbold, gent., 29 October, 15 Charles I. (1639), on the surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 2 Charles I., of the tenement formerly occupied by John Bland, near that of John Walsh, for 40 years at 20*s.*

Seal[1]: A lion rampant between three lozenges. 1363

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to Daniel Tyers, knight, executor of the will of Hugh Bourchier, gent., and Ann, relict of Walter Thomas, of a garden in St. Nicolas, in the Foregate street, on the surrender of a lease dated 23 June, 20 James I., 13 September, 12 Charles II. (1660).

Signed and sealed. 1364

Lease, 13 September, 12 Charles II., by John Oliver, D.D., dean, to Daniel Tyas, Kt., Alderman of the city, one of the executors of the will of Hugh Bourcher, gent., and Anne Thomas of Claines, widow, Relict and administrator of Walter Thomas, deceased, another of the executors on the surrender of a lease dated 23 June, 20 James I., to Henry Trovell, clothier, of a garden in St. Nicolas in Foregate Street, whereon a tenement burnt in the late wars stood.

Signed. Seals lost. 1365

Lease by Christopher Potter, dean, to Edward Tomkins, assignee of John Tomkins, 17 November, 16 Charles I. (1640), on the surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 12 James I., of a tenement in Northgate Street, between that of Richard Biddle, walker, in which Robert Tomkines, clothier, dwells, and that late in the tenure of William Oldwall, and now of Mathew Beverley, reaching to the Gravel Butts.

Bond attached. Signed and sealed. 1366

Lease, 28 November, 1661, by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Sarah Freeman, widow, of a garden in Foregatestrete. For 40 years at . . . . .

Seal lost. 1367

[1] Archbold Silver, a lion between three fleurs de lys sable. Add. MS. 19,816.

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Edward Hankins, weaver, and clothier, 25 November, 20 Charles II. (1668), on the surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 10 Charles I. of a messuage in Foregate street, in which William Allen dwelt, and now in the occupation of Phillip Allen, between the tenement of John Philipps, clothier, and that of Edmund Yates, baker, for 40 years at 8*s*.

Signed and sealed. 1368

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Joane Trovell, widow, 25 November, 20 Charles II., on the surrender of a lease to Thomas Nutt, clothier, dated 27 October, 15 Charles I., of a tenement between that of John Fell, chandler, on the North, and Richard Fidoe, shoemaker, on the South, and the garden of William Perry, clothier, on the West.

Signed and sealed. 1369

St. Martin.

Grant by William, son of Richard, sometime chaplain of St. Nicolas, to Richard of Rudmerley, his kinsman, of a messuage, &c., without the gate of St. Martin, which he bought of Henry Fenigh, and which Walter de la Berne sometime held at 3*d*. rent.

Witnesses: Oslach and Richard, provosts, Robert of Binham, William Colle, Thomas Edulf, Stephen the cook, Philip of Stafford, and many others.

Seal lost. 1371 [1]

Grant by Simon . . . to . . . releasing a tenement which Sir William held, in the street without the gate of St. Martin. Also the service of Dani Marleclive, Pain Burgeys, William, son of a presbyter, John Colle, and Robert the white.

Witnesses: Adam, son of Peter, Roger of Oxon, Philip Coynterel, Robert of Spechesley, William of Pudel, Peter Peet, William Hereford, Robert Batayll, and many others.

Seal lost. 1372

Grant by John, son of Henry of Tapenhale, to Alice his daughter, for fidelity and service of 4*s*. rent, out of land between that of William the weaver and the lane to the church of St. Martin, at a rose rent.

[1] No. 1370 is blank in error.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John de Astleye, bailiffs, James Aubyn, Johnson of Alexander, William of Dorley, John, son of Osbert, William Freend, William of Kemesey, and others.

Seal lost. 1373

Grant by Hugh, son of Odo of Worcester, quitclaiming the Sacrist, for his soul's health and that of his father and mother, &c., of 5*d.* rent, received by the hand of the Sacrist out of land without St. Martin's gate, between that of Sampson the dyer and Thomas Palmer, which land Henry Kinch his uncle gave him. For this the Prior and Convent give 4*s.*

Witnesses: William Sebrond and Simon de Fonte, provosts, John Cumin, Adam, son of Philip, Peter, son of Peter, Peter Colle, Adam, son of Peter, Roger de Oxon, Richard of Bereford, Nicolas, son of Andrew.

Seal lost. 1374

Quitclaim by Alice, daughter of Henry of Tapenhale, to the Pitanciarius of the Priory, of land between that of William the Weaver, and the way to the church of St. Martin.

Witnesses: John Cumin, John of Estleye, bailiffs of Worcester, William Frend, William of London, Richard Losewyt, Henry the turner, Walter the glovemaker, Nicolas Don.

Seal lost. 1375

Lease by Cecily atte Rock, widow of John atte Rock, citizen, to Henry Cheylemarsch, butcher, and Joan his wife, of a messuage between the church of St. Martin and the tenement of Isabel, wife of Nicolas Lany, at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Witnesses: Thomas of Chyrtone, John Schepeleye, bailiffs, Hugh Furnor, William of Wynfurtone, Richard Bryth, and others.

Worcester, Friday after Christmas, 42 Edward III. (1369).

Seal lost. 1376

Extract of court roll of the manor of Gestenhalle, dated 24 September, 35 Henry VIII. (1543). The lord granting to Richard Pacy of Worcester, barber, Joane his wife, and Richard and Thomas their sons, a tenement in the Melechepynge, in the parish of St. Martin, situated between a tenement of the abbess of Whiston and that of William Gower, esquire, which Roger Cleveley holds, reaching to the orchard of the Rector of St. Swithin, in the tenure of Thomas Poker, at a rent of 23*s.* 4*d.* 1377

Lease by John Barlow, dean, to Thomas Carter, of a tenement in St. Martin, having that of Richard Boner on the North, and on the South a house in the occupation of Richard Stroude, for 60 years, at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Dated 25 November, 5 Edward VI. (1551). 1378

Lease by Francis Willis, dean, dated 23 June, 34 Elizabeth (1592), to William Staneweye alias Fryser, clothier, on the surrender of a lease to Roger Folyett, gentleman, of two tenements next the churchyard of St. Martin, sometime in the tenure of Lewis Vauhan, clerk, and late in the occupation of Richard Traunter, weaver, at 20*s.* 4*d.* rent. 1379

Lease dated 4 March, 20 James I., by Sara Steyner of Worcester, widow, to Robert Wylde of the Commaunders, gent., of two closes in St. Martin's called the Greenfields, in the occupation of Edward Martindale, alias Stafford.

Signed. Seals lost. 1379a

Lease by Roger Maynewaring, dean, to Anne Moore, widow, of a tenement (formerly in two parts) in St. Martin's, having on the East that of the said Anne, and on the West the new dwelling-house of Roger Gough, and on the backside that of Richard Dawk, for 40 years at 14*s.* rent.

Dated 25 November, 10 Charles I. (1634). 1380

Lease, 29 October, 12 Charles I. (1636), by Christopher Potter, dean, to George Langford, gent., under steward of the manor lands, and George Batch of Worcester, of a tenement in Fryer's strete, between that in which Thomas Wyan alias Walker dwells, and that of George Streete, brewer, having on the West the town wall, at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Bond attached. 1381

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to William Cave, mercer, of a tenement in Melechepynge strete in St. Martin's, between a tenement late in possession of the White Ladies of Whiston, and now of Elizabeth Webb, widow, on the West, and that of Edmond Earlsgate on the East, reaching to the garden of the parson of St. Swithin's, which John Crone, baker, holds, for 40 years at 24*s.* 6*d.* rent.

Dated 13 September, 12 Charles II. (1660).

Seal lost. 1382

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Giles Laurence of Pershore, gent., and Richard Brown of the Cathedral Church, gent., and Samuel Blackwell of St. Peter's, Worcester, innholder, on the surrender by Giles Laurence and Elizabeth Harewell, widow, late wife of William Harewell, canon of the said Cathedral, of a lease granted to William Staunton, of Trotswell in the parish of Warndon, yeoman, for the lives of Edward, Thomas, and Richard Wingfield, late deceased, of the house and moiety of Lippards or Leopards, in St. Martin's.

Dated 1 July, 19 Charles II. (1667). 1383

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to John Morley of St. Martin's, assignee of George Langford, gent.; and Thomas Bacheon the surrender of a lease (see above, 1381).

Dated 2 July, 21 Charles II. (1669). 1384

St. Mary's Street (Warmistreyslip in St. Alban's).

Grant by John de Wenlond, citizen, and Margery his wife, daughter of Henry Torold, to Cristina, wife of William Calabre, of all claim in a plot of land in Seyntemariestret, which Henry Torold leased for 12 years to Juliana Wast.

Witnesses: Pain Borgeys and John of Estle, bailiffs, Clement the Cordwainer, John of Scheldesley, John le Hopper, Henry, gaoler of the Castle, Roger Leominster, and others.

Two seals lost. 1385

Grant by Juliana, wife of Robert Wastwle, widow, to William of Winchecumbe, spesare, for fidelity and service, of the plot of land he had from William of Kyngeswode, and which lies between the land of William and that of William the spezare, and reaches from Seinte Maries strete to the land of William the Painter (*pictor*).

Witnesses: Henry Coyntrel and William of Salopsburg, provosts, William of Pidele, Pain Bourgeys, Walter the Merchant, Richard the Seneschal, William Frent, Peter Peet, William Peet, and others.

Seal . . . ILLIA. N.E. 1386

Grant by Nicolas le Vynur, citizen, to William Kalabie, citizen, of a tenement between land of Simon of Longchamp and that of the grantee, in Seynte Marie strete, at a clove rent.

Witnesses: Walter of Enneyse and John of Pychesews, bailiffs, Walter

Quoyntrel, Wlstan of Salop, Richard Frend, Thomas of Lychesen, Peter Francis, and others.

Seal lost. 1387

Lease by William of Astone, citizen, to Richard of Kynfere, citizen, and Agnes his wife, daughter of Henry, of a tenement Alice Spyches held; and that part of a tenement held by gift of William Racyn, lying between the said tenement and that of Petronilla Styward, which lies between that of Henry and the house of Richard Lychfeld, in Seynte Mary Strete.

Witnesses: Richard the Beleyeter and John Lony, bailiffs, John Comyn, Richard the Mercer, William Colle, William Rokulf, Henry of Stodley, and others.

Worcester, Thursday next before Easter, 4 Edward II. (1311).

Seal lost. 1388

St. Mary Stairs (In St. Michael in Bedwardine).

Lease by John Wenlok, sacrist, to John Paten, goldsmith, of a tenement in Seynt Mary Stayer, formerly in the tenure of John Apries, and a shop there, formerly held by Richard Ordeyn, for 11 years at 3*s.* 4*d.*

Seal: A crowned I and palm branch. 1389

St. Peter's.

Covenant between Prior William, John Murieweder of Pechesle, and Lucy his wife anent the payment of 8 quarters of corn and 1 Craune annually, 1 quarter to be part corn, part peas, and a basket of fish in Lent, two cartloads of wood on the feast of All Saints, and a carcase of mutton on the vigil of Xmas., and 10*s.* at the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary, out of the house Osbert Blundel held in St. Peter's, failing they forfeit all right in their lands in Pechesley.

Witnesses: John Parson of Bradwas, Alard Rup, Thomas of Stoke, Walter of the garden, Thokas the clerk, and others. 1390

Grant by . . . ., relict of John of Pupplynton, to her brother John of Felp of all the property she held by gift of Adam of Croppethorn and Marie his wife in free marriage, in the street which leads to the Baylly, between the tenement of the Pitenciarius and the common way towards the Church of St. Peter the Less.

Witnesses: William Coule and John his son, Roger of Walcot, Robert

de le Fohe, William Roculf, Richard Quoyntrel, bailiffs of Worcester, John, son of William the Carettur, Henry of Aston, and others.

Seal lost. 1391

Grant by Agnes of Upton to Richard the Mercer, citizen, of a tenement between that of John of Boclinton and William Lany, in St. Peter the Great.

Witnesses: John of Pykeresham, John Comyn, William Roculf, Henry of Aston, Wlstan of Salop, Thomas of Lychesfeld, Reginald the taverner, John Scheep, John of Feckenham, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Monday the Morrow of Holy Trinity, 22 Edward I. (1294).

Seal: A rayed cross, S' ANGNETIS DE VPTONE. 1392

Lease by John Barlow, dean, to John Walker, shoemaker, of a garden near the Frog-gate, late in the tenure of Thomas Mores, appertaining to the office of Infirmarer of the late monastery, for 40 years at 16*s.* rent.

Seal: IW. Dated 25 November, 5 Edward VI. (1551). 1393

Lease, 25 March, 6 Edward VI., by John Barlowe, dean, to Hugh Adams of Worcester of a tenement in St. Peter's at the Knoll end, in times past called the Signe of the Cocke, having the house of Hugh on the South, and on the West that of William Draper, and now occupied by Henry Dampfort for 60 years at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Seal defaced. 1394

Lease of the great Colehill, 30 January, 1597, by John Rowland, alias Steyner, gent., to Robert Wield, together with the tithe, at a rent of £5 6*s.* 1394a

Surrender by Francis Streete the elder of a lease by Richard Eeddes, dean, dated 20 November, 40 Elizabeth, of a tenement in St. Peter's in the occupation of William Hawe, between that of Thomas Noxson, taylor, and Richard Tomson, shoemaker, for 40 years at 14*s.* rent. 1395

Lease by Arthur Lake, dean, 25 November, 6 James I., to Elizabeth Strickland, widow, of a tenement in La Knole called the "Sign of the Cock," situated between that of John Walker, now in possession of William Jones, and that of William Coxe, clothier. . . . .

Seal: A cock. 1396

Transfer of a lease from Thomas Maulton of Worcester, chaundler, to Richard Hodgkins of the same, of a tenement and garden in St. Peter's, late

in the occupation of Margaret Maulton his sister. 23 August, 3 Charles I. (1627).

Signed. 1397

Lease dated 25 November, 6 James I., by Arthur Lake, dean, to Henry Symmonys, almsman, of a house between that of William Wallcroft on the West and Leonard Stafford on the East, and a garden on the backside, part of the manor of Gestenhall. 1398

Deed empowering Thomas Maulton to sublet a tenement hitherto occupied by his sister Margaret, having another the property of St. Alban's Church on the North, in which widow Cooke dwells.

Dated 23 August, 3 Charles I. (1627). See No. 1397. 1399

Lease by Roger Maynewaring, dean, and Richard Hodgines, chandler, to John Barber of Worcester, clothier, 25 November, 11 Charles I. (1635), of a tenement in St. Peter's (much faded). Bond attached. 1400

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to Francis Bird of a barn next the vicarage house and a plot adjoining, for 21 years at 5*s*. rent. 7 November, 12 Charles II. (1660.)

Signed and sealed. 1401

Lease by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Richard Hodgines, chandler, 23 June, 14 Charles II. (1662), on the surrender of another, dated 23 June, 17 Charles I., of a tenement in the occupation of William Ulley, feltmaker, having on the North that of Anthony Norris, saddler, and on the South that of Robert Gorle, baker, for 40 years at 8*s*. rent.

Signed. 1402

Lease, 23 June, 14 Charles II. (1662), by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to John Baker, clothier, 28 November, 13 Charles II. (1661), on his surrender of a lease to Roger Foliott, deceased, of a messuage adjoining Sidbury gate, having on the North the tenement of Hospital of St. Wulstan, in the occupation of Samuel Dyer, clothier, and on the East the "signe of the Bell," for 40 years at 20*s*. rent.

Signed. 1403

Lease dated 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665), by William Thomas, dean, to Thomas Higgins, clothier, on the surrender of another, dated 25 November, 10 Charles I., to Robert Gowrle, baker, of a tenement between the house of John Powler, gent., and Castle Lane, for 40 years at 18*s*. rent.

Signed and sealed. 1404

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to Thomas Higgins, clothier, 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665), of six cottages in St. Peter's, reaching from the corner of Castle Lane towards the Frog-gate, for 40 years at 18*s*. rent.

Signed. 1405

Lease by the same to Marie Nicholls and John Pratt, both of St. Peter's, 25 November, 19 Charles II. (1667), on the surrender of another, dated 7 November, 12 Charles II., to Francis Bird, Innholder, of a barn and waste, for 21 years at 5*s*.

Signed and sealed. 1406

Indenture, dated 10 April, 13 Charles II. (1662), between John Oliver, Dean of the Cathedral, and the Chapter of the same, and Richard Hassard of Worcester, gent., surrendering a lease, dated 2 June, 14 Charles I., 1638, of a tenement in St. Peter's called "The Cock," situated between a tenement late in the tenure of Henry Hunt and that of Anthony Philpott, which John Greenebanke now holds.

Signed and sealed. 969

Lease dated 8 November, 12 Charles II. (1660), by William Thomas, dean, to Mathew Walton, mercer, of the Rectorial tithe of corn, grain, and hay, pertaining to the rectory of St. Peter's, for £59 for 21 years.

Signed and sealed. 1407

Lease dated 25 November, 20 Charles II. (1668) by William Thomas, dean, to Thomas Taylor, of the precincts, clerk, on the surrender of a lease to Richard Taylor, baker, dated 25 November, 20 Charles I., of two tenements in St. Peter's, one between that of Thomas Taylor and Roger Barnes, the other between that of John Turner and John George, baker.

Signed and sealed. 1408

Lease by the same to Mathew Walton, mercer, and Joane Taylor, spinster, 8 July, 20 Charles. II. (1668), on the surrender of another, dated 13 September, 12 Charles II., of the field called Colehill in the parish of St. Peter's, and another containing 6 acres near Red Hill Crosse, parcel of the glebe lands of the Rectory, for 21 years at 18*s*. rent.

Signed and sealed. 1409

Lease by the same to John Allen, 18 November, 21 Charles II. (1669), on surrender of a lease, dated 24 June, 24 Charles I., of three closes called

Dugleys alias Digleys, between the Greenlane on the East and the river, and abutting on the pleasure grounds of Mr. Barnabas Olney and Thomas Lampleugh, for 21 years at 15*s.* rent.

Signed and sealed. 1410

Transfer of lease by William Thomas, dean, to Edmund Thomesone, assignee of Leonard Stollard, clothier, 25 June, 25 Charles II. (1673), on the surrender of another, dated 29 October, 15 Charles II., of a tenement and garden in St. Peter's between that of John Davis and Robert Willoughby, for 40 years at 8*s.* rent.

Signed and sealed. 1411

St. Swithin.

Grant by Andrew, son of Simon le mul, to the Prior and Convent of his land in front of the church of St. Swithin, which his father held, for the souls' sake of his father and mother, and also *meum patrinium*, next the land of Philip his nephew in the feoff of Henry de W. . . .

Witnesses: Peter, son of Peter, Richard Judæus, provosts, Robert de Binham, Robert Wastesle, and many others.

Seal lost. (12th cent.) 1412

Quitclaim by Maurice, son of William Wen, citizen, to the Prior and Convent to sustain the light before the altar of the Blessed Mary, of 2*s.* 6*d.* rent, which William Algar of Alcredwyk rendered out of houses in which Jacomin Albim dwells.

Witnesses: Philip Fuke and William Roculf, provosts, Peter Colle, William of Pidele, Thomas of Evesham, Jacomin Albin, William Kineton, and many others.

Seal lost. 1413

Quitclaim by Henry Fouk, monk, Infirmarer of the Priory, to Helie the Taylor and Margery his wife, of all arrears of rent out of the tenement John Osbern held in St. Swythin's, in the street which leads from the church to the Cornchepynge.

Dated 5 Kalends of October, 6 Edward III. (1331).

Seal lost. 1414

Lease dated 25 November, 15 Elizabeth (1583), by . . . Wilson, dean, to Edward Lyngham.

Seal lost. Faded. 1415

Lease by Joseph Hall, dean, to John Browne, assignee of Francis Streete, dated 26 November, 19 James I. (1621), on surrender of another dated 25 November, 15 James I., of a tenement in Backster's street in the tenure of Thomas Sheney, late in that of Richard Uncles, for 49 years at 10*s*. rent.

Chapter seal. 1416

Lease by John Oliver, dean, to Henry Taylor, clothier, of a tenement in Backster street, in St. Swithin's, between the house of Thomas Payne, butcher, on the North, and that of Edward Piercey, clothier, on the South, late in the tenure of Humphrey Fitzer, for 40 years at 10*s*. rent.

Dated 13 September, 12 Charles I. (1636). 1417

Lease dated 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665), by William Thomas, dean, and William Powlett of the Middle Temple, esquire, on the surrender of another dated 29 October, 15 Charles I., to George Powlett, gent., of a messuage between that of Edmund Pitt on the East, late in the tenure of Edmund Moore and that of Richard Bedoe on the West, for 40 years at 14*s*. rent.

Signed and sealed. 1418

The Sanctuary (*in St. Michael's in Bedwardine*).

Lease by Humphrey Webbe, seckeston, to Thomas Evance, Esq., and Anne his wife of a tenement and stable in Le Seyntery syde adjoining the "Palys Yate" on the West and a tenement of the said Seckeston, now in the tenure of Thomas Wenne, and late in that of Thomas Evance; for the lives of Thomas and Anne.

11 July, 30 Henry VIII. (1538). (English.) 1419

Shirereeveslane (*? Castle Lane*).

Grant by Walter Alisaunder to Alice Alisaunder of a tenement with buildings next the lane called the Schirevelane, with free access to the house of Richard of Burton, fisherman, next the house of Peter Colle, to hold by customary service.

Witnesses: Adam of Pirye and William Roculf, bailiffs, John Comyn, Henry of Aston, John Lony, Henry of Upton, Peter Colle, and others.

Seal lost. 1420

Severn Side (in St. Clement's).

Grant of Juliana of Northyntone, daughter and heir of Hugh of Northyntone, to one John a Brich, a fisherman, in free marriage, of 4*s.* rent out of a tenement called Colewallesplace, between that of Walter of Norane and John le Palmer in le Brode strete. And 3*s.* rent from another called Archaresplace, between that of John Mayes and John le Deyzare in Eporte strete, and another called Horneresplace, between that of Simon Knitte and John de Lychesfeld in Eporte strete.

Witnesses: Thomas of Tawardyne and John the Deyzare, bailiffs, John the Palmer, Thomas the Bedel.

Worcester, Wednesday before the . . . of St. Peter, 30 Edward III. (1356).

Seal lost. 1421

To this is sewn a fragment of a deed of Gervase the cellarer.

Fragment of a grant by Agnes Clyve to Robert Multon, prior, of a plot of land near the Severn.

Witnesses: . . . Cawldwell, William Ballard, Thomas Lynney . . .

Dated . . . 1 Richard III. (1483).

Seal lost. 1421a

Sexton's Croft (in St. John's in Bedwardine).

Lease by Robert Multon, prior, to Ysaac ap Ryes of St. John's of an Orchard and two crofts, called Sexton's crofts, next the Polecroft, at 12*d.* rent.

20 March, 22 Edward IV. (1482).

Seal lost. 1422

Studemar Knoll (Edgar Street, in St. Michael's in Bedwardine).

Lease by Robert Wynter and Marjory his wife to Roger Proctor, Stephen Mochegood, John Grene and John Kyngett, of a vacant plot in the street called "Studemars Knoll"; between a tenement belonging to the elemosinarius and that of Edmund Gardener (formerly Roger Longe's).

Witnesses: William Joly and John Jones, bailiffs, Thomas Swynnerton, John Broke, junior.

Dated Worcester, 6 April, 20 Edward IV. (1480).

Two seals lost. 1423

Woodenstairstreet.

Grant by Thomas of Claynes, citizen, to the Prior and Convent to maintain the light of the Blessed Mary in the lesser ? Church of Worcester, 12*d.* rent out of a tenement Cecilia Prior held in Wodestar strate.

Witnesses : John, son of Osbert, and William Colle, bailiffs, . . . Payne, John Cumin, John 1424

Grant by John of Beshampton, citizen, to the light of the B. Mary of 12*d.* rent out of a tenement in Wodestarstrete, from houses built between those of Walter of Dorley and John.

Witnesses : Walter of Dorley, and John Hosborne, bailiffs, James Aubin, Pain Burgeys, William Fred, Andrew the Painter, Thomas le Kynt, Thomas le Petyth, John of Hastele, William of Kemesey, Thomas le Waleys, John of Childesle, Bartholomew the clerk, and others.

Seal lost. 1425

Grant by Margery, wife of John Carpenter, citizen of Worcester, to Richard the Parchmenter, citizen, of a tenement between that of Hugh Pricche and the land of Gilbert the hoppere, in Wodestathstrete.

Witnesses : John of Estleye and John Cumin, bailiffs, Pain Borgeys, Richard Seneschal, Roger of Scheldesleye, Thomas le Kante, Philip le Felawe, William Sole, Gilbert le Hoppere, and others.

Seal lost. 1426

Grant by Robert the Mercer to the light of the B. Mary in the greater church of Worcester, of 12*d.* rent, which he bought of Robert of Horsham, and which is received out of the house of John Oslac.

Witnesses : Pain Borgeys and Walter of Dorleg, bailiffs, William of Pidele, James Aubin, John Alexander, John Cradam, William of Schar and many others.

Seal lost. 1427

Lease by Richard the Mercer to Isold the taylur, for life, of a tenement between that of Richard and the house of Richard the daubour in Neldare street, reaching to the city wall, at a rose rent.

Witnesses : Richard Coliz and Richard of Leburi, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, William Roculf, Peter Colle, Richard of Evesham, and others.

Dated Worcester, Wednesday next St. Kenelm, 33 Edward I. (1305).

Seal lost. 1428

Bond by John the Mercer, citizen, binding himself to pay John Canon, fisher, four marks, but the said John concedes to John the Mercer and his heirs and to Richard Gibbeson and Isolda his wife, 5*s*. rent which he had by feoffment of John in Wodestathstrete.

Dated Sunday after St. Margaret, 21 Edward III. (1347).

Seal: I. P. 1429

Quitclaim by Richard the Parchmentmaker, corviser and citizen, to Richard the Mercer, of all claim in a tenement in Wodestathestrete, between those of Nicolas the hopere and Roger of Broctone.

Witnesses: Richard Coliz and Richard of Leobury, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Roculf, William Colle, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday the morrow of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist, 33 Edward III. (1337).

Seal lost. 1430

Lease dated 19 September, 4 Henry VIII. (1512), by John Weddesbury, prior, to Edward Ledyngton, baker, of a plot in Wodestathstrete belonging to the Master of the chapel, between a tenement of the said Master and that of Edward, and reaching to the garden of William Bullak, for 61 years at 8*s*. rent.

Seal lost. 1431

Lease dated 25 March, 6 Edward VI. (1552), by John Barloo, dean, to Thomas Bordar and his assigns, of a tenement in Wodestartstrete nigh unto the Keye or Water Wharffe, next that of Edmund Piers, baker, and formerly held by Robert Clarke, bocher, for 60 years at 4*s*. rent.

Signed with a merchant's mark. 1432

Worcester Barbone[1] (*In Claines*).

Grant by Roger of Furbur, citizen, to the Prior and Convent of land lying between that of Robert Lester and the Prior, to maintain a light in the chapel of the Blessed Mary in the greater church of Worcester.

Witnesses: Roger of Pechesley, William of Beverbourne, Mathew of Hallowe, James Daibun, . . . le Notere.

Seal lost. Much torn. 1658

Grant by David, vicar of Cleynes, to God, the Blessed Mary, and the Prior and Convent, of a tenement William Eadulph held, to maintain a light

[1] Berbourne, A.-S. Beferburn, the Beaver's brook.

in the chapel of the Blessed Mary in the greater church of Worcester, which tenement lies between those of Roger of Oxon and William le Chalunur, and reaches to the city wall.

Witnesses: Roger Burgeys and Henry Coyntrel, bailiffs, Richard Lelund, Symon Francis, Robert of Wych, Osbert Muriel, Nicolas of Brewnde, Henry Wylle, Henry of Tapenhale, and others.

Seal lost. 1659

Grant by James Ree, clerk, and John Regnald of Seggesberrow, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Refectorarius, of a messuage and the moiety of a virgate in Berbourne.

Witnesses: James Alexander of Besford, John Hambury, John Breoden, Thomas Beore, John Herforde, draper, John Newemon, Thoma s Tolwardyn, and others.

Dated Worcester, Tuesday before St. Michael, 16 Richard II. (1392).

Seal: A stag. 1433

Release by Bishop Tideman (de Winchecombe) to John Malverne, prior, of all claim in services out of a messuage and land in Barbone which belonged to Beatrice, wife of John Peyto, to be held to the use of the Refectorarius.

Dated 8 February, 19 Richard II. (1396).

Seal lost. 1434

Lease by Prior Multone to William Blankett of Burbone, husbandman, and Helen his wife, of a messuage with meadows and pastures.

Michaelmas, 21 Edward IV. (1481).

Fragment of seal. 1435

Lease dated 16 August, 3 Edward VI. (1549), by Roger Crumpe, "wefer," to John Harforde of Bosbury, co. Hereford, citing a lease of the tithe of corn and hay in Claynes, made to Rychard Morysonne, esq., of Wyche, Michaelmas, 38 Henry VIII. (1546). 1436

[1] *Battenhale* (*in St. Peter the Great*).

Grant by William, son and heir of Roger le Poer, knight, to Master John, son and heir of Adam, son of Peter of Worcester, of the land

[1] A.-S. Batan heale, Mercian Batan Hale. Batan is the gen. case of Bata, a known masculine name, heale dative of healh, a nook or corner. (MS. letter from Prof. Skeat.)

Richard of Spechesley held within the manor of Batenhale, viz. that land lying between lands of the Bishop and Juliane of Colewyke and that below the wood of Pirie, near land of Thomas of Pirie.

Witnesses: Richard of Spechesley, John, lord of Cerhulle, Sir Hugh de Bellocampo, Jordan of Codeleye, Thomas of Pirie, Robert of Spechesley, William of Donesleye, William of Pidele, Walter the Mercer, Pain Borgeys, James Aubin, Henry Coyntrel, Robert Batayl, Simon the Seynter', John Lony, John Osbern, Symon le Franceys, and many others.

Seal lost. 1437

Grant by William le Poer, knight, lord of Scrauelegh, to Roger le Poer his son, William, son of Henry Walense, and Walter, son of Walter Haket, of a moiety of his manor of Batenhale.

Witnesses: Sir John de Bellocampo, Sir Robert de Bracy, Sir Walter de Cokesey, Sir Henry de Waleyse, Thomas of Codeleye, Richard of Muenes-hill, John of Hunteleye, and others.

Seal lost. 1438

Grant by John of Mortone and Elizabeth his wife to John, son of Henry Quoyntrel of Worcester, and Isabel his wife, of all the messuage and half virgate of land which John, called "provost of Batenhale," held in villeinage of Sir William le Poer, knight, in Whytinton.

Witnesses: Thomas of Codeleye, Henry of Astone, Giles of Piritone, John Coleman, John of Crokeberewe, William Colle, and others.

Seals: 1. A squirrel in a circle of foliage. 2. A male and female head with a bird on a pole. LOVE ME ALONE. 1439

Lease by Richard, called Seeley, and Margery his wife, to Richard the Mercer of a croft between land of Master John, son of Peter, and the way leading to Dudley from Whytinton, for 6*s.* and 14 selions of land between those of Master John and the land of St. Godewal, for 12 years at a rent in corn.

Dated Michaelmas, 22 Edward I. (1294).

Seal: A cross patonce. TRAXDIT. EL. 1440

Fine levied at York, morrow of the Purification B. V. Mary, 32 Edward I. (1304), between Richard the Mercer and Margaret his wife, querents, and John of Merton and Elizabeth his wife, deforciants, of a toft, 2 virgates of land, and 2 acres of meadow, and 6*s.* 3*d.* rent in Farnleye, and two parts of the manor of Battenhale. In trust. 1441

Lease by Richard the Bellyeter, citizen, to Richard the Mercer, of 36*s*. rent, "imposterum dubitans grauari," out of lands in Tymberdene and rents of assize in Worcester.

Witnesses: Sir Alexander de Montefort, Sir Hugh le Poer, knights, John Comyn, William Colle, John of Feckenham, Giles of Periton, and others.

Wircester, Sunday next St. Luke, 34 Edward I. (1306).

Seal: A bell. S'RICARDI LE BELYETERE. 1441a

Release by John of Astone, baker, citizen of Worcester, to Richard the Mercer, citizen, and his heirs, of all claim in a meadow in Batynhale, which lies between lands of the said Richard and the brook at Duddebrugge.

Witnesses: Nicholas of Pyrie, Richard the Belleyeter, John of Everleye, Henry of Astone, William of Marteleye, and others.

Worcester, Thursday in St. Luke, 7 Edward II. (1313).

Seal: A plumed star. S' JOHIS DE ASTONE. 1442

Lease by Isabel, relict of John, son of John Lony, citizen, to Richard the Mercer, of the Spichesrudynge, which her husband held in Tymburdon [1], within the manor of Batenhale, for 4*s*. rent.

Witnesses: John of Feckeham, John Blancket, Walter of Perdeswell, Giles of Piriton, John of Hornyngwold, clerk, and others.

Seal lost. 1443

Grant by John, son of John Lony, of Freynshemouneshalle, sometime citizen of Worcester, to William the Cartere, of all his lands in Tymberdene.

Witnesses: John the Mercer, John of Overleye, Peter of Greote, Giles of Piriton, John of Codeleye, and others.

Worcester, Monday after St. Oswald, 17 Edward II. (1324).

Seal: A floral device. 1444

Grant by Isabel Roculf of Worcester to Richard of Crockeberow of a plot of garden, situated between land of John Lirige and that of Richard . . ., and in length from the way towards Evesham to the tenement of John.

Witnesses: Gyles of Piritone, John of Codeleye, Philip Gorstert of Spechesleye, John Wale, Robert atte Heth, and others.

Wytintone, Wednesday in St. Laurence, 2 Edward III. (1328). 1445

[1] A.-S. Timber-denu, timber valley, i.e. a well wooded valley.

1446 See Appendix.

Acquittance from Elizabeth of Marton, widow of John of Marton of Somersett, for 10 marks rent out of the manor of Batenhale; received of John the Mercer at the hands of John le Power of Wycheneforde. 17 Edward III. (1343). 1447

Acquittance by the same for 10 marks received of the Prior at the hands of John le Power, out of Battenhale and Farleigh.

Dated the morrow of St. Michael, 20 Edward III. (1346). 1448

Grant by Thomas le Carter to the Prior and Convent of 6 messuages, 2 carucates, 3 virgates of land in Batenhale, Wytinton, and Northwyke, and 31*s.* 6*d.* rent, out of two tenements in the High Street, situated between those of John the taverner, William the Baker, and John atte Halle.

Witnesses: William Bracy, Thomas of Hodynton, Thomas of Clifton, Richard of Lench, William of Spechesleye, and many others.

Battenhale, Monday after St. Alban, 43 Edward. III. (1369).

Seal lost. 1449

[1] *Bedwardine* (*St. John's*).

Grant by Godfrey of Lindridge, in pure alms, to S.[2], Prior of Worcester, and his Convent, for the souls' sake of his uncle, Prior Ralf, himself, and his ancestors, a virgate of land beyond the Severn, near the church of St. John, to keep an obit on the morrow of St. Mary Magdalen every year, and 12*d.* to the light of the Blessed Mary in the Vestry.

Witnesses: Master Roger, dean of Worcester, Adam of St. Clement's, Fruald of St. John's, Roger of St. Mary's, William of All Saints, William of Cherinthun, Constable of Worcester, Amisius, Mairarius, William Rupe, Richard the Prior's Chamberlain and Adam his brother, Mark the younger, Richard Priche. (1215-16.) See Appendix. 1450

Covenant between S.[2], prior of Worcester, at the petition of Master Godfry ("our clerk") granting a solemn anniversary each year for the

[1] Derivation uncertain. (Skeat.) [2] Senatus, A.D. 1196.

soul of the venerable prior Ralph[1], with two cantors at the morning Mass in the choir, and two candles burning at his tomb; for which purpose Godfrey gives a virgate of land beyond the Severn, and 12*d.* to the light of the Blessed Mary in the vestry, for the soul's sake of the said prior his uncle.

Witnesses (and date) as last. See Appendix. 1451

Grant by Walter Scarlet to . . . of Newarke, of 12*d.* rent out of a tenement in St. John's which Ernald of Wlbetere held at the rent of a pair of gloves.

Witnesses: Benedict of Herdewik, Walter Wudecot, Philip de Sale, Thomas the Organist (*Organista*), Richard of the Grene, Richard de Cruce, Robert Elys, and many others.

Seal lost. 1452

Grant by Walter the chaplain, son of Henry the Smith of Worcester, confirming to John the chaplain, his brother, his services in the land John the chaplain, his uncle, held in St. John's.

Witnesses: Richard of Collewike, Benedict of Herdewik, Philip de Aula, . . . Walter Burewold, Richard de Cruce, and many others.

Seal lost. 1453

Grant by William of St. John, cellarer, brother to the linen-weaver of Bedwardine, to the Prior and Convent of 10 selions of land in Bedwardine, lying between those of Walter of Wiggemore and Sibille, wife of Simon his brother, also five others in the East field.

Master Alexander the Mason (*cementarius*) of the church of the Blessed Mary of Worcester, William of Coderugge, Robert le Botiler, Walter of . . . wike, Simon, clerk of Borastone, John of Hynewike, John of Biliford, clerk, and many others.

Seal lost. 1454

Quitclaim by Margaret, widow of William . . . to . . . in Timburdene.

Witnesses: Hugh de Cokesey, John of Graftone, John le . . .

Dated . . . the Invention of the Holy Cross . . . Edward III.

Seal: A floral ornament. 1455

Fragment.

Seal: St. Catherine standing, with a wheel in her left hand, within a floral border. 1456

[1] Ralph of Bedeford died 1196.

Grant by John the Smith, priest, son of Henry the Smith of Worcester, to Richard of Budiford, called the clerk, of the land he held by the feoffment of William, brother of John.

Witnesses: Benedict of Herdewike, Gervase, servant of the Prior, John the Smith, Thomas the Organist, Walter Wodecot, Walter Wigemore, Robert Cherlewynd, bailiff of Herdewike, Richard called "de Cruce."

Seal lost. 1457

Grant by Matilda, widow of Philip the Smith of Bedwardine, to the Prior and Convent of an acre of land with reliefs, &c., which acre lies between the land of Richard the Goldsmith and the Blakfeld, and in length from the land of the Prior to that of Alice of Mathon.

Witnesses: Simon le Seynterer, Geoffrey Dabetot of Colewyke, Benedict le Notere, Philip Gorulf, John the Smith, and others.

Seal lost. 1458

Grant by Walter Burewold, citizen, with Walter his son, to the Sacrist of the Priory of a messuage opposite the Grange of that official in St. John's.

Witnesses: William Roculf, John Cradam, John Priche, Richard the Dyer, John the Smith, Walter of Worcester, and many others.

Seal lost. 1459

Grant by Matilda, daughter of John Reygner, to Walter of Poiwyke, tanner, of the land he held by the gift of William of Lawarne in Bedwardine.

Witnesses: Henry of Wynton, Peter the Miller, William Gorulf, Walter the Smith, and others.

Worcester, Thursday after St. Michael, 1 Edward I. (1273).

Seal lost. 1460

Quitclaim by Matilda, widow of William Gornay, to Adam the Smith and Margery her sister, wife of William, of that building and curtilage he had by gift of John Sutyng, her father, in St. John's, paying yearly to God and the B. Mary and to the Church of St. John, 6*d*.

Witnesses: William, son of Hugh, seneschal of the King, William of Pechesley, Osbert of Beverburn, Roger Dabetot, Walter of Colewyke, William of the Grene, bailiff of the prior, Peter the Miller, Walter Clyvelode, and others.

Seal lost. 1461

Grant by William, son and heir of Hugh the Goldsmith, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Sacrist, an acre of land which his father bought

of Philip Hoc, situated between the demesne of Lawarn and the land of Luke of Newland.

Witnesses: Walter of the Dene, bailiff of Wyke, William of Bikerton, Richard of Colewyke, Geoffrey of Ambroyse, William Benet, Peter Peet, Gervase of Gutinge, and others.

Seal lost. 1462

Grant by Mathew, son of Gervase of Bedwardine, to the use of the Pitanciar, of 6*d.* rent, which Adam the Smith paid out of a tenement there.

Witnesses: Richard of Pechesley, William of Pechesley, Mathew of Hallow, Nicolas David, William of the Grene, Peter the Miller, and others.

Seal lost. 1463

Grant by William, son of William the Black, of St. John's outside Worcester, to Richard the Baker of 4 selions of land in the middelfield, between land of Benedict of Herdwyke and William.

Witnesses: Luke of Newland, Philip de Aula, Richard of Colewyke, Robert, son of Elie, Richard of Stocton, Benedict of Herdwyke, Walter Burewold, John Cradam, Walter of Wigmor, Philip of Laherne, and many others.

Seal lost. 1464

Quitclaim by Richard de Cruce to Walter of Wigmore and his heirs of 4*d.* out of 6*d.* rent, received from 11 selions of land near the church of St. John.

Witnesses: Robert Therlewynd, servant of Herdwyke, Benedict of Herdwyke, Philip de Aula, William the Black, John Cradam, and many others.

Seal lost. 1465

Grant by Henry Poche, citizen, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Pitanciar, of 12 selions of land in the Blakefild, lying between land of Gervase of Gutinge and the way leading to the Bromyards and adjoining East and West to land of the Sacrist.

Witnesses: Richard of Pechesley, William of Pechesley, Mathew of Hallow, Ingram Marescall, Walter of Colewyke, John the Smith of Bedwardine, Mathew, son of Gervase, Mathew, son of Andrew the notary, and others.

Seal lost. 1466

Quitclaim by Richard Rauf of Leye to Roger, son of John de Monte of Bedeworthyn, of all claim in land in Hultonesfeld.

Witnesses: Sir Robert de Bracy, knight, Richard Andru, Walter of Honfelde, Richard of Pechesley, Mathew of Hallow, and others.

Seal lost. 1467

Grant by Philip de la Sale of Bedewardyne to Reginald of Fyeldeley, citizen, of a curtilage between land of Philip and that of Symon the Weaver.

Witnesses: Benedict the Weaver of Herdewik, Richard of the grene, Richard de Cruce, Richard of Colewik, Simon the Weaver, John the Smith, Thomas the Organist, and many others.

Seal lost. 1468

Quitclaim by Robert, son of Elias of the grene, to the Prior and Convent of a messuage and curtilage in Bedwurthyn, which William le Blak held.

Witnesses: Thomas of Schoke, Benedict of Herdewik, Walter of Wikemore, Philip at Hall, William, son of William the Black, Robert, a servant of Herdewik, Richard of Colebwik, and many others.

Seal lost. 1469

Grant by Randulf, son and heir of Richard of Newerk, to the Prior and Convent of 12*d.* rent, which Joane, daughter of Robert Heynulf, paid put of a tenement in St. John Bedwardyne.

Witnesses: Gervase of Gittinges, John the Smith, Thomas the Organist, Richard of the grene, Adam, servant of Herdewyke, and many others.

Seal: A rayed ornament. S' RANDULFI . . . 1470

Quitclaim by Christina, widow of Henry of Kadre, to Thomas Blaberere and Gunnilda his wife, of a tenement which Henry of Cadre held.

Witnesses: Robert of Borcote, Richard Sorti, Henry of Clyvelode, Peter the Miller.

Seal lost. 1471

Grant by Richard, son of John de Fonte, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Pitanciar, of a moiety of a messuage in Bedewardine, lying between land of Mathew of Reveneshull and that of Richard.

Witnesses: Walter of Colewyke, Richard of Pechesley, Walter of Pechesley, Mathew of Hallow, John Smith of Bedewardin, Nicolas David of Pechesley, William of the grene, and others.

Seal lost. 1472

Quitclaim by William, son of William the Black, of Bedewardin, to the Prior and Convent of land there.

Witnesses: Thomas of Stoke, Benedict of Herdewike, Robert Richard of Colewik, John of Suthinton, Philip de Aula, and many others.

Seal lost. 1473

Grant by Alice, widow of William in the Hale, to the Prior and Convent of a tenement in St. John's.

Witnesses: Walter of Colewyke, Matthew of Hallow, Nicolas Dany, Peter the Miller, Adam the Smith, and others.

Seal lost. 1474

Grant by William Mouldens, confirming to William of Stoke Maundeville, clerk, a messuage in Bedwardyne, next the well, between those of William Bruton and Henry of Cliflode, paying customary service to the lord, and 5*s.* yearly to the Tumbarius of the priory.

Witnesses: Henry of Cliflode, Peter the Miller, Peter the Sextyn, Richard Carpenter, William Bruton, and others.

Seal: A fleur-de-lis S' GRA . . . 1475

Quitclaim by Alice, wife of Gervase . . ., to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Pitanciar, of land in Blakfield.

Witnesses: Richard of Pechesley, William of Pechesley, Matthew of Hallow, Walter of Colewyke, Henry Peche, John Smith, and others.

Seal lost. 1476

Grant by Alice Burewold, widow, to Roger, son of John of Monte, of 6 selions of land in Hulton, between land of the Gardinarius of the Priory and that of William Francis.

Witnesses: Philip the Hunter, William Pride, William the Trillere, Gervase of Gutinge, Walter of Clivelode, John Francis, Richard of the grene, and many others.

Seal lost. 1477

Grant by Ralph, son of Siward, to William the Famulus of the land Siward, grantor's father, gave him, and which the said William gave to Agnes his wife in dower, viz., that next land of Osbert the Hunter, at 12*d.* rent, he paying his father 4*s.*, his mother 6*d.*, Ralph 2*d.*, and his sister a ring.

Witnesses: Alan Dorch, Walter Hellehal, Walter the Clerk, Nicol Cortier, Walter "Juvenis," Richard Swete, Philip of Tubrugge, Richard the

Jew, Walter Burewold, John Priche, Richard Priche, William of Wiche, Richard de Mora, Geoffrey, son of Ralph, William Patemon, and many others.

Seal lost. 1478

Fragment . . . William Gorulf. 1479

Bond of Adam of St. John to Peter called "Le sekeskyn" of Bedwardin in . . .

Witnesses: Richard of St. John, Henry of Wynton, Richard of Hanley, Robert le Pitanciar, Walter the Smith, Walter of Clivelode, Robert Stuble.

Bedwardine, Wednesday after St. Augustine, 10 Edward I. (1282).

Seal lost. 1480

Grant by Margaret, daughter of Walter the Couherde, widow of John Brusetanne, to the Prior and Convent of a plot of land in Bedewardyn, between the tenements of Gonilde the Mulewarde and William Pacy of Penfax, carpenter.

Witnesses: Sir Alexander de Fruville, knight, John of Feckenham, bailiff of the Bishop for the Hundred of Oswaldeslowe, Richard the Belotere of Worcester, Henry of Pechesley, William of Abynton, and others.

Sunday in the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 2 Edward II. (1309).

Seal lost. 1481

Grant by John, son of William Schelle, to Richard of St. John, clerk, and Juliana his sister, of a messuage in Bedewordyn, paying to the lord of that fee 12*d.* yearly.

Witnesses: Geoffrey atte Grene, Walter of Clyvelode, Martin le Corvyser, Bartholomew Perkines, and others.

Worcester, Thursday in the Circumcision of our Lord, 14 Edward II. (1321).

Seal lost. 1482

Grant by Cecily, widow of Richard of Wyke, goldsmith of Worcester, to the Prior and Convent of all claim in lands in Worcester, Wyke Episcopi, and Hynewyke, and elsewhere within the County.

Witnesses: William Roculf, junior, Thomas le Taillour, bailiffs, Richard atte Halle of Brauntesforde, Richard of Hoptone, Richard of Badegar, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday after the Feast of the Assumption, 14 Edward II. (1321).

Seal: A dead lion . . . AWALE. 1483

Grant by Roger Lomer of Worcester to Alan the Vatte ot a piece of arable land in the Middelfield, next Bedwardine St. John, lying between lands of Richard Perkins, clerk, and John Lomer of "Le Frenschemaunes-halle," extending to the land of John the Kartare.

Witnesses: William Gorulf, Richard of Monkewod, Walter the Smith, Peter the Sexteyn, Walter of Clivelode, Geoffrey the Smith, Thomas Tabellione, and others.

Dated Worcester, Tuesday next St. Petronilla, 18 Edward II. (1325).

Seal lost. 1484

Grant by John de la Braunsford, parson of Herforton, confirming to Sir William, called "de la gomstol," a messuage in Bedwardine, between Cadiferestret and land of the Priory, and reaching to the tenement of Robert of Woudesford and that of Robert of Frankeleye.

Witnesses: Richard of St. John, clerk, Richard of Monckewod, Robert of Woudesford, Geoffrey the Smith, Richard Herre, and many others.

Dated Bedwardine, Wednesday after the Translation of St. Thomas, 11 Edward III. (1337).

Seal a mere fragment. 1485

Grant by William the Baker (*pistor*) of Newent, and Alice Wyberd his wife, to Thomas the Miller of Stoke Prior, of a tenement in Bedwardyn, which Isolde de Olneye held, which lies between the house of William Babelard and that of Isabel Gorre.

Witnesses: Richard of St. John, Geoffrey the Smith (*faber*), Richard Gorre, John the Baker, William Babelard, and others.

Bedwardyn, Wednesday after St. Valentine, 11 Edward III. (1327).

Seals: 1. A quatrefoil. . . . IVII . . . AVET . . . LO. 2. A peacock. LEY . . . LONG. 1486

Release by Agnes, wife of Adam of Hansarde, to the Prior and Convent of . . . (Much faded).

Witnesses: Richard of St. John, clerk, Master Richard of Winchcombe, Geoffrey the Smith, Richard Gozre, John the Baker (*pistor*), William Ballard.

Wednesday in St. Peter in chains, 15 Edward III. (1341).

Seal lost. 1487

Grant by Thomas of the Mill of Stoke to Adam Smith, junior, of a messuage in Bedewardyn, situated between those of Isabel Gorre and William Dabe . . . of Alne, carpenter.

Witnesses: Richard of St. John, Geoffrey the Smith, Richard Gorr, John the Baker, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Dated Bedewardyn, Thursday next St. Oswald, 15 Edward III. (1341).

Seal lost. 1488

Grant by Adam the Smith, junior, to William Babelard, for life, of a messuage in Bedewardyne Without, the back of which lies next land of the Prior.

Dated Bedewardyn, Sunday after SS. Peter and Paul, 18 Edward III. (1344).

Seal lost. 1489

Lease by Adam the Smyth and Agnes his wife to William Babelart and Christina his wife, for life, of a messuage in Bedwardine at a rose rent.

Dated there, Monday after the Conversion of St. Paul, 18 Edward III. (1344).

Two seals lost. 1490

Grant by Adam the Smith to Adam his son and Agnes his wife, of that tenement he held by the gift of Richard of Hopton of Lye.

Witnesses: Richard Erre, John the Baker, Martin the Corviser, John Flemynge, William Elkyn, Roger the Smith, Richard atte Okene, and others.

Dated Bedwardyn, Monday in St. Catherine, 20 Edward III. (1346).

Seal lost. 1491

Grant by Juliana, sister of Richard, clerk of St. John, to Joane, daughter of Adam the Smith, of a tenement in Bedwardyne.

Witnesses: Richard Erre, Martin le Corviser, Geoffrey the Smith, Richard atte Stoke, and others.

Dated Bedewardyne, Monday next the Feast of the Assumption, 21 Edward III. (1347).

Seal lost. 1492

Grant by William of Abyndon, senior, to John Derleton, Robert Esebach, and John Frend, clerks, of a messuage in Bedewardine, lying between the tenement of John Ministre of Worth, and "Stanfordesgardyn," and extending from the way to Hereford to the Frerencroft.

Witnesses: Henry Coly, Thomas Smith, Richard Smyth, John Hulle, Hugh Carpenter, John Bene, Robert Corvyser.

Bedwardine, Sunday after SS. Simon and Jude, 8 Richard II. (1384).

Seal lost. 1493

Inquisition as to whether or no William Hurtell of St. John's broke into the house of William Harrys at Worcester on the 6 May, 13 Henry VII. (1498). 1493a

Lease, 7 May, 26 Henry VIII. (1534), by Humphrey Webley, sacrist, to Roger Frewen and Margery his wife, of a tenement in the corner of Leche street, for 40 years at 20*s*. rent.

Seals lost. 1494

Lease by Sir John Bourne, knight, of Holt, to Francis Street, of the Pool meadow, 15 January, 10 Elizabeth (1588), at 8*d*. rent.

Seal lost. 1494a

Appointment by Francis Willis, dean, of John Wilson, a verger, to collect rents, 23 May (1596). 1495

Recovery suffered Trinity Term . . . wherein Henry Brett, gent., sought of John Worfield a messuage and three mills in Bedwardine, for which George Wirfield is vouchee.

Seal lost. 1496

Bond of John Ballard to Dean Hall.
Dated 3 November, 1627.

Seal lost. 1497

Lease dated 25 November, 20 Charles II. (1668), by William Thomas, dean, to Sampson Bourne assignee of Thomas Taylor, late of St. John's, on the surrender of a lease dated 20 October, 12 Charles II. (1660), of a tenement and garden in Cripplegate, and other tenements belonging to the same, for 40 years at 16*s*.

Signed and sealed. 1498

Lease dated 5 July, 19 Charles II., 1667, from William Thomas, dean of Worcester, to Thomas Harris of St. Peter's the Great, esq., and Thomas Taylor of St. Martin's, and Thomas Boyce of St. Michael's in Bedwardine, gent., citing a surrender by Edward Wingfield and George Fullwood of Little Alne, in the county of Warwick, gent., of certain houses and lands before referred to, parcel of the farm called "Leopards," in the county of Worcester, granted by Dean Christopher Potter, 23 June, 17 Charles I., to William Staunton of Totswell in Warndon, yeoman, during

the lives of Edward Wingfield and of Thomas and Richard Wingfield, since dead, and do now lease the same to Thomas Harris and his heirs, the capital messuage with all its outbuildings, lands, and appurtenance, viz., the Twenty-lands, Baylies Field, Fitchfield, Peasefield, Plackmeadowe, Calves Close, Wood Greene, Coppice, &c.

Signed and sealed. 973

1498 Transferred to St. Michael's.

Lease dated 23 June, 14 Charles I. (1638), by Christopher Potter, dean, to Stephen Richardson, gent., on his surrender of a lease to Ann Hill, widow, dated 20 November, 4 Charles I. (1628), of a close by the side of the way to Brodwas, between the leasow of the vicarage and the site of the manor of Pittensaryes, for 21 years at 6*s.* 8*d.* rent.

Signed and sealed. Bond attached. 1499

Lease dated 7 November, 12 Charles II. (1660), by John Oliver, dean, to Stephen Richardson, gent., of the tithe of corn, grain, and hay, formerly belonging to the Sacrists of the late Priory, late in the tenure of William Gower, esquire, and George Langford, gent., and afterwards of Thomas Hackett, gent., and the tithe of the demesne lands of Hardwicke, viz., of the Priors fields, Pooles closes, and Slings, late in the tenure of George Webbe and John Mason, and lately of George Langford, gent., at a rent of 15*s.* 8*d.* and 14*s.*

Signed and sealed. 1500

Lease dated 23 June, 14 Charles II. (1662), by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Thomas Taylor, clerk, and Stephen Richardson, gent., of Muncke Meadow, and Hawthorn Leasow in St. Clement's, for 21 years at £48 rent.

Seal lost. 1501

Lease dated 25 November, 14 Charles II. (1662), by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Jane Stone, widow, on the surrender of a lease, dated 20 October, ... of a cottage, croft, and garden.

Seal lost. 1502

Lease dated 25 November, 16 Charles II. (1664), by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Stephen Richardson, on the surrender of a lease dated 3 September, 12 Charles II. (1660), of the coppice called "great Puckehill" (20 acres), Little Puckhill (4 acres), Finch Grove (. .), Quarter Grove

(6 acres), Over Ansetts (5 acres), Nether Ansetts (5 acres), Little Barnett . . ., Greate Moonshafte (9 acres), Nether Held (. . .), Flower Men's coppice (2 acres), all within the Lordship of Himbledon, for 21 years at £18 rent.

Seal lost. 1503

Lease dated 25 November, 1664, by the same to Katherine White or Temple Laughorne in St. John's, widow, on the surrender of a messuage and water mill called "Ambrose Mill", leased to Robert Stanford, 25 November, 2 Charles I. (1626), for the lives of Frances, Cicely, and Mary Middlemore, children of Robert, for 21 years at 3*s.* rent.

Signed. Seal lost. 1504

Lease dated 30 June, 17 Charles II. (1665), to John Richardson, gent., and John Pooler, executors of the will of Stephen Richardson, gent., on the surrender of a lease dated 24 June, 13 Charles II. (1661), of the site of the manor of St. John's called "The Pittensaries" and lands in Blackfield, Proscroft, alias Puscroft, New Mill field and a meadow in Pitchcroft, two crofts at St. Gyles near Leachheth, and a meadow near the manor formerly in the tenure of Arnold Gower, gent., and Alice Gower, lately occupied by George Gower, deceased, for 21 years at a rent of £4 9*s.* 5*d.*

Signed and sealed. 1505

Lease dated 29 November, 19 Charles II. (1667), by William Thomas, dean, to George Fullwood of Little Alne, gent., Thomas Boys, gent., and Thomas Taylor, gent., on consideration that Thomas Harris of St. Peter the Great surrendered a lease, dated 28 November, 1667, of the site of the manor of Leopards, granted to him during the lives of Edward Wingfield, of Leopards, gent., Thomas and Edward his sons, viz., of the messuage &c., and pasture called "Twenty lands," Bayleis Field, Fitchfield, Pleck meadow, Calves close, Woodgreen coppice, The Pike, Stockt Coppice, Tomses Field, Wallreadinge, &c., to hold during the lives of Thomas Wingfield, aged 12, and Edward, aged 8.

Signed and sealed. 1506

Lease dated 23 June, 17 Charles II. (1641), by Christopher Potter, dean, to Richard Frewen of St. John's, innholder, and Mary his wife, daughter and administratrix of Francis Hudson of the same place, innholder, on surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 14 Charles I., of a messuage called "the Angel," situated in St. John's, between the tenement of Thomas

Chelles, gent., and that of Elizabeth Vincents, widow, and occupied by Thomas Harrys, feltmaker, for 40 years at 10*s.* rent. 1507

Lease dated 25 November, 20 Charles II. (1668), by William Thomas, dean, to Sampson Bourne, pewterer, assignee of Thomas Taylor, late of St. John's, upon his surrender of a former lease dated 29 October, 12 Charles I. (1636), of a garden in Cripplegate, measuring 102 × 70 feet, and now let in four holdings, viz. to James Shaw, John Hay, Humphrey Derne, and another unnamed; and having on its west side the garden of Richard Chetle, on the north that of Arthur Hosyer, and on the east the tenement of widow Evans, for 40 years at 16*s.* rent.

Signed and sealed. 1508

Bedwardine St. Michael.

Quitclaim by John called "Freond," citizen, to Prior Wulstan of all claim in a tenement in the Cemetery.

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Richard the Chaundler, bailiffs, William le Carter, Peter of Greote, Henry Goseye, Walter of Longeneye, John of Dumbleton.

Dated Worcester, Wednesday in St. Michael, 9 Edward III. (1335).

Two seals: 1. A gem. JESVS . L BONE . . ME. 2. Oval, brown wax, St. Augustine within a tabernacle, below a dragon S' DE ANA . . . ORINE. 1661

Grant by Adam of Wynton to John of Astley of a plot of land in the Cemetery.

Witnesses: Sir Walter de Kekynewyk, knight, John, son of Alexander, Richard' Sen', Nicolas of Oldcroft, William Frend, Simon le . . ., Master Richard, and others.

Seal lost. 1662

Release by Joane, wife of Master Bartholomew the Goldsmith, to William Frend, citizen, of all claim in a plot of land in the great Cemetery, where was the shop of Hugh the Goldsmith and John the Smith.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John Cumin, bailiffs, John of Estleye, Richard Seneschal, William the Carter, William Colle, and Richard Frend, and others.

Seal lost. 1663

Grant by Robert of Hampton, Richard the sacrist assenting, to Martin, rector of the chapel of St. Michael, of his tenements in the Cemetery.

Witnesses: James Albin and Robert Batell, bailiffs, Simon le Seynterer, John of Hertelbury, William Frend, Nicholas, bailiff of . . ., Richard Sireman, and many others.

Seal: A fleur-de-lis. S. RO . . . . TI DE . TONE. 1664

Grant by Roger Schep to the Prior and Convent of 4*s*. rent out of the house of William Springefeld, situated before the gate of the Cemetery and payable at the hands of Gunnbern the Vintner.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and William the Disscher, bailiffs, William of Pidele, James Aubin, Thomas Wille, John, son of Alexander, William of Salop.

Seal lost. 1665

Quitclaim by Bartholomew the Goldsmith to John of Estleye of all claim in a messuage in the Cemetery from the stair next the house of Alexander, son of Edwin, to the court of the Bishop.

Witnesses: James Aubyn and Robert Bataylle, bailiffs, Pain Burgeys, Walter of Derleye, John Alexander, Simon le Seynterer, Richard the Seneschal, William Frend, Henry, son of Simon, Nicolas of the Oldcroft, John of Bradeweye.

Seal lost. 1666

Release by Richard, called "Le Hore," of Penne, to the Eleomosinar of all claim in a tenement in the Cemetery.

Witnesses: Nicolas of Pirie, Nicolas of Astone, Richard of Haukeslowe, Thomas of Lutlynton, Henry Austin of Saltford.

Dated Worcester, in the Priory, the Morrow of the Annunciation, 11 Edward II. (1318).

Seal lost. 1667

Lease by Wulstan, prior of Worcester, to Peter of Greote, clerk, of a tenement between those of William of Martleye and Robert of Sevenhampton, and the entrance from High Street.

Witnesses: Robert of Sevenhampton and Peter of Radeston, bailiffs, Thomas Gros, Richard Adam, Simon Gros.

The Chapter House . . after the Annunciation of St. Mary, 19 Edward II. (1326).

Fragment of seal in white wax. Counterseal: A gem . . . SE AVTA. 1668

Release by Peter of Greote, clerk, to Prior Wulstan of all claim out of an action *re* a stone cellar, situated between the tenement of Robert of Sevenhampton and William of Martleye, reaching to the Cemetery stairs and the entrance to High Street.

Witnesses: Robert of Sevenhampton and Peter of Radeston, bailiffs, Thomas Gros, Simon Gros, William the Goldsmith, Thomas of Dene, corviser, Henry Goseye, and others.

Worcester, Tuesday next St. Oswald, 19 Edward II. (1326).

Seal: . . . SEEL AMVR. 1669

Grant by Agnes the Stabler, widow of Henry the Stabler, to Richard of Hyndlep, chaplain, of a tenement in the void place near the Cemetery, between those of Richard and William the Corviser.

Witnesses: John le Mercer and John of Stone, bailiffs, John of Dumbleton, Thomas of Colynton, Adam Bryd.

Dated Worcester, Wednesday next St. Mark, 9 Edward III. (1335).

Seal: A grotesque monster. Legend illegible. 1670

Lease by John, prior of Worcester[1], to Geoffrey the Barbour of a tenement with a curtilage, 38 feet in length, one head towards the Cemetery of the Cathedral, the other towards a tenement of John atte Lee, between that of John the Brewere and Richard of Burgh, for 40 years.

Dated Sunday in the Feast of St. Martin, 26 Edward III. (1352).

Seal: A grotesque. . . VN.OLT. 1509

Grant by John Minstereworth and Agnes his wife to Robert Esbache, parson of the church of St. Martin, John Derlton, clerk, and Henry Skay, of tenements, rents, and services in Bedwardyn, Rushwyke, and elsewhere.

Witnesses: John Hambury, John Seggesbarrowe, Henry Colet, taylor, Thomas Smyth, Richard Smyth, John Hulle, and others.

Dated Bedwardine, Monday in the Annunciation of the B. Mary, 4 Richard II. (1381).

Two seals lost. 1510

Lease by Prior William Wenlok to Walter Borne and Alice his wife of a tenement in the Cemetery, formerly in the tenure of James Banaster, and sometime of John Peele, with a plot of land in the angle of the house of John Taverner.

Dated Feast of the Annunciation, 14 Henry VII. (1499). 1672

[1] John of Evesham.

Lease by Humphrey Webley, sacrist, to Roger Frewen and Margaret his wife, of Le Seyntuary in Bederdyn, in which John Birlyngham, smyth, dwells, and which was formerly held by Margaret Banaster, widow, for 40 years at 20*s.* rent.

Dated 7 May, 26 Henry VIII. (1534). 1510a

Lease by Henry Holbeche, bishop of Bristol, and prior, to John Mathewes of St. Michael, pewterer, of a tenement between those of John Frynde and John Scryvener, for 41 years at 22*s.* rent.

Dated on the Purification of the B. Mary, 30 Henry VIII. (1539).

Seal lost. 1511

Bond of Roger Frewin and Agnes his wife to keep covenants.

27 Henry VIII. (1535-6). 1512

Transfer of lease by Thomas Elvins of St. Michael to Robert Edlinson, viz. of the remainder of that granted by Arthur Lake, dean, to William, father of Thomas, of a messuage in Le Sanctuarye, between those of Richard Lokier and Lettice Good, widow.

Dated 21 May, 1638.

Signed and sealed. 1513

Lease dated 25 November, 5 Edward VI. (1551), by John Barlo, dean, to Roger Folyott of a tenement in St. Michael's, formerly in the tenure of John Frend, and a garden in St. Peter's nigh the city wall, in the tenure of William Person, baker, for 60 years at 20*s.* rent.

Seal lost. 1514

Lease by John Barlo, dean, 25 November, 5 Edward VI. (1551), to William Bland of a tenement in St. Michael's, late in the tenure of John Compton, clerk, having on the east the wyne tavern in which William dwells, and on the west a garden late in the tenure of Thomas Wemme, and a garden under the wall of the Bishop's Palace in the cemetery, and a little dormer house or Jakkys adjoining the stable end, sometime in possession of Thomas Evaunce, esquire, for 60 years at 20*s.* rent.

Signed and sealed. 1515

Lease dated 25 November, 12 Elizabeth (1569), by John Peddar, dean, to John Danks, bocher, of St. Michael's, of a tenement late in the occupation

of William Fisher, for 60 years at 40*s.* rent. On the dorse is a note of its transfer to John Oseland.

25 March, 16 Elizabeth (1574).

Signed and sealed. 1516

Lease of the Charnelhouse and Priest's Chamber at the west end to Roger Folyett, gent., at 6*s.* rent.

9 February, 28 Elizabeth (1586). 1660

Surrender of a lease of the Talbot by Walter Walker, innholder, of St. Michael's.

22 June, 40 Elizabeth (1597).

Bond attached. Signed. 1517

Lease dated 9 December, 6 James I. (1608), by Arthur Lake, dean, to William Rice, walker, and Susan his wife, Jane Tasker, and Dorothy Smith of the same, on the surrender of another lease dated September 25, ..., to Susan, Jane, and Dorothy Tasker.

Dated 25 September, 21 Elizabeth.

Signed and sealed. 1518

Lease dated 24 June, 3 James I. (1605), by James Mountague, dean, to John Shelvorke of Bedwardyne, of a tenement now in the tenure of William Elvins, and late in that of Elizabeth Folliott, widow, for 40 years at 10*s.* rent.

Signed. 1519

Lease dated 15 April, 4 Charles I. (1628), by John Dowler of Alveston, clerk, and Alice his wife, to Ambrose Cooke of Worcester, on the surrender of two leases dated 25 November, 13 James I. and 25 November, 8 James I., to Nicolas Archbold, gent., of a tenement and stable in St. Michael's, for 40 years at 26*s.*, which had been leased to William Swaddon, D.D., archdeacon of Worcester, as assignee of Nicolas and Elizabeth his wife, viz. that tenement next the Bishop's Palace. All interest therein is now released by the executors of the said Elizabeth, viz. by William Wyatt, esquire, and Nicolas Archbold to John Dowler.

17 May, 2 Charles I. (1626). 1520

Lease dated 29 October, 15 Charles I. (1639), by Christopher Potter, dean, to Nicolas Archbold, on the surrender of that dated 25 November, 2 Charles I. (1626), of a tenement in St. Michael's, formerly occupied

by William Bland, and now in the tenure of John Walshe, gent., on the east, and that of Edward Hackett on the west, for 40 years at 20*s*. rent.

Seal lost. 1521

Lease dated 29 October, 15 Charles I. (1639), by Christopher Potter, dean, to George Paulett, on the surrender of a lease dated 23 June, 14 Charles I. (1638), of that tenement in the Sanctuary, formerly in the tenure of William Elvins the elder, baker, and now of Thomas Ball, baker, for 40 years at 18*s*. rent.

Bond attached. Signed and sealed. 1522

Lease dated 24 June, 13 Charles II. (1661), by John Oliver, dean, to Popham Gardner of Powyke, on the surrender of a lease dated 25 November, 11 Charles I. (1635), of a tenement and garden in the Cemetery late in the tenure of Edward Onion and Dorothy his wife, and now in that of Popham, lying between that of Nathaniel Brewer on the east, and Anthony Hopkins on the west, for 40 years at 14*s*. rent.

Signed. 1523

Lease dated 28 November, 13 Charles II. (1661), by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Mathew Walton, mercer, and Thomas Badland, ironmonger, of a tenement in St. Michael's having "The Talbott" in Sidbury on the north, and the tenement of Robert Bache the Elder, butcher, on the south. Also a garden near the wall of the city next an alley called "Garden Alley," late in the tenure of Guthlake Folyett, for 40 years at 20*s*. rent.

Signed. 1524

Lease dated 3 January, 13 Charles II. (1662), by Thomas Warmstrey, dean, to Thomas Streete of Worcester, brewer, on the surrender of that dated 29 October, 12 Charles II. (1660), of a tenement in Leech street, newly built, late occupied by Ellen Harward, widow, and now by Nathaniel Brewer, cordwainer, having on the east that of Richard Hall, and on the west that of Thomas Dyson, plateworker, for 40 years at 6*s*. and 8*d*. rent.

Signed and sealed. 1525

Lease dated 23 June, 14 Charles II. (1638), by Christopher Potter, dean, to Dorothie Thornton, of the Precinct, on the surrender of a lease to William Elvins the elder, dated 25 November, . . James I., of a tenement in St. Michael's, for 40 years at 18*s*. rent. 1498

Lease dated 2 April, 1661, by William Awbury of Bishop's Grendon, to William Evett of Cotheridge, on the surrender of a lease dated 29 October, 15 Charles I. (1639), to Nicolas Archbold, gent., of a tenement between those of Ambrose Cooke on the west, and that of John Walsh, gent., on the east, and a little dormer used as a privy.

Signed and sealed. 1526

Lease dated 29 October, 15 Charles I., cited in the above.

Bond attached. 1527

Lease dated 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665), by William Thomas, dean, to Daniel Hughes, notary, on the surrender of a lease dated 23 June, 17 Charles I. (1641), of a tenement in the tenure of William Bland, for 40 years at 20*s.* rent. 1528

Lease dated 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665), by William Thomas, dean, to Daniel Hughes, notary public, referred to in the above. 1529

Lease by William Thomas, dean, dated 6 July, 20 Charles II. (1668), by William Thomas, dean, to George Smith, administrator of the goods of Anne Smith, his mother, on the surrender of a lease dated 23 June, 17 Charles I. (1641), of a messuage and garden situated between the rectory of St. Michael's and the cemetery, for 40 years at 20*s.* rent.

Signed and sealed. 1530

Lease by William Thomas, dean, to William Powlett of the Middle Temple, Esq., of a tenement and garden in St. Michael's, between those of Robert Birch and Richard Hassard, and reaching to the garden of Harry Greene, for 40 years at 18*s.* rent.

Dated 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665). 1665

Lease dated 25 November, 22 Charles II. (1670), by William Thomas, dean, to Quirinus Winnen, tailor, of St. Michael's, on the surrender of a lease dated 22 June, 14 Charles I. (1638), to Robert Edlinson, of a tenement, formerly two closes, on the Sanctuary side, situated between that of Humphrey Mathewes on the south, and William Leigh on the north, for 40 years at 10*s.* rent.

Signed and sealed: A lion rampant. 1531

Lease dated 25 November, 22 Charles II. (1670), by William Thomas, dean to Quirinus Winnen, on the surrender of a lease dated 28 November,

13 Charles I. (1637), to Mathew Walton, mercer, and Thomas Badland (see No. 1524), for 40 years at 40*s.* rent. 1532

Lease of a house in the Precincts, between that of Rowland Crosby, clerk, on the east, and certain old buildings adjoining the brewhouse on the west, measuring from east to west 9¾ yards, and from north to south 8 yards, together with an old building used as buttery and woodhouse, reaching to a new house by the stone wall of the castle, with their appurtenance, to Humphrey Wytley.

23 June, 1641. 966

Indenture made 25 November, 18 Charles II. (1664), between William Thomas, dean of the cathedral, and the chapter of the same, and William Harewell, clerk, one of the minor canons of the said cathedral, he being assignee of Humphrey Withis, late of the Precinct, surrendering to the dean and chapter all rights in, and the lease of the tenement wherein the said Humphrey dwelt, dated 23 June, 17 Charles I. (1641), and wherein the said William now dwells, and situated in the Precincts between the house of Philip Tinker, clerk, minor canon, and that of John Tilt, gent., upon the east, and certain old buildings adjoining the brewhouse upon the west, paying 2*s.* yearly.

Signed and sealed. 970

Lease dated 17 July, 1666, from William Thomas, dean of Worcester, and John Tompkins of Marten Hussingtree, in the county of Worcester, gent., of a newly built house in the Precincts, whereon certain ruinated buildings did formerly stand, in length 7 yards, to the west of the old brewhouse, late in the possession of Thomas Childs, and now in the tenure of Edward Childs, his executor, and from the east and west, between this old brewhouse and the holding of the said Richard Taylor, and having the ground of the late castle on the south, and on the north the common ground of the cathedral, together with a little stable between the organist's house and the stable of Mr. Tomkins, for 40 years at a rent of 5*s.*, on St. John the Baptist's day.

Signed. 972

Grant by Walter Coyntrel, citizen, to Simon Gerveyse, citizen, of a messuage in the corner without Foregate, between the land Richard de la Flagge held and the way to Losemere, reaching from the street to the land of Geoffrey of Hambyr, to hold the same by customary service and one penny rent.

Witnesses: William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, bailiffs, Walter Coyntrel, Peter Colle, Richard of Evesham, Nicolas of Claynes, Adam Willey, and many others.

Seal lost. 1533

Severnbridge (in St. Clement's).

Grant by John, son and heir of Henry Quoyntrel, citizen, to the Prior and Convent of a tenement situated between those of Hugh of Grwenhulle and Nicolas Alhaylle, in the suburbs of the city, in the angle opposite the bridge over the Severne, at a pepper-corn rent.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Henry of Astone, Richard the Mercer, Walter Cradan, Nicolas Alhaylle, John the Crompe, and others.

Seal lost. Endorsed "For the good memory of Laurence the Tumbarius." 1535

Severn Side.

Grant by John, son of Nicolas of Hynewike, to the Prior and Convent of the meadow between the Severne in Alalhom and that of the Prior, from Michaelmas, 30 Henry III., for 5 years (1246).

Witnesses: Thomas of Stokes, John de la Rugge, John Pascal, Geoffrey of Croppethorne, Thomas Cuhit, John of Sodinton, John del hoc, and many others.

Seal lost. 1541

Grant by Richard, son of Thomas of Bristoll, citizen, to God, the Blessed Mary, and to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, to sustain a light before the shrine of SS. Oswald and Wulstan, of a messuage in the suburbs of Worcester, with a curtilage reaching to the River Severn, and situated between the house of William of Hervynton called *le parsonis tenet*, and another belonging to the church of St. Clement, paying to the Master of the Carnarie 6*d*. yearly.

Witnesses: Walter le Enneyse and John of Pagesens, bailiffs, John Osbern, Pain Burgeys, Richard le Styward, Walter Coyntrel, Richard the Baker (*pistor*), and others.

Seal lost. 1549

Lease by Walter, lord of Colewyke, to Roger of Worcester of land near the Severne.

Witnesses: Master John . . ., Richard Siward, William, son of Geoffrey, Roger of Grimle, John Wal, William of Timberdene, William . . .

Seal lost. 1550

Sidbury (in St. Peter the Great).

Grant by John, son of William Sebrond of Worcester, confirming to John the Smith of Worcester a messuage in Sothebury, lying between land of Robert of Opton and Robert of Bristolle, at 6*s*. rent.

Witnesses: William Roculf and John Cradan, bailiffs of Worcester, William of Piddle, Robert Batayle, Sampson the Seynterer, Robert of Opton, Robert of Bristoll, William Charesford.

Seal lost. 1534

Grant by Walter, son and heir of Richard Steyn, burgess of Wych, to John the Hoppere, citizen, and Alice his wife, of a curtilage between land of Richard the Mercer and a tenement belonging to the Hospital of St. Wulstan, in Suthebury strete, 46 poles in width.

Witnesses: William Rokulf and Walter Quoyntrell, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Thomas of Braunesford, Thomas Colle, Robert Scheldesleye, Richard the Mercer, Robert of Warwyke, and others.

Seal lost. 1536

Covenant between Prior Wulstan and Roger of Penne concerning a plot of land between the tenement of the said Roger and that of Cecile le . . . in Sodbury stret, and extending to the tenement of Agnes of Stanweye. 1537

Grant by Matilda Eddryck and Alice and Edith, her daughters, to William of the mill of three selions of land in Hulfield, between Sterte-strete and Piparesorchard.

Witnesses: Henry of the Park (*de parco*), Ralph Strecche, Henry le Foun, Robert Penel, Robert Rose, and Roger Haumound, and others.

Seals lost. 1538

Grant by Richard, son of Hugh of Bradwas, to Simon, son of William Gornay, on his marriage with Lucy his eldest daughter, of all his lands in Southebury lying between those of Nicolas the Paillare and Simon Gurnay, and land outside the gate lying between that of Thomas Pinient, chaplain, and Simon Seynterer.

Witnesses: Pain Burgeys and John of Estley, bailiffs, Simon the Seynterer, William, son of Geoffrey, Richard Sciremon, Nicolas the Pailar, William Milcsop, and others.

Fragment of seal . . . EBR . . . 1539

Grant by Thomas of Evesham, citizen, confirming to Mary, daughter of William Schitte, a shop (*solda*) in the suburbs, situated between land of Ralph Siward and Walter Siward, at 4*d.* rent.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Simon the Bellfounder (*Campanarius*), provosts, Adam, son of Peter, Henry Spich', William le Dissare, William Tharewort, William Unwin, and many others.

Seal lost. 1540

1541 See Severn side.

Grant by Walter of Berford to the Prior and Convent, for his soul's sake and that of Helen his wife, to the use of the Elemosinarius, 20*d.* rent in Sidbury, which he had of William of . . . .

Witnesses: William Roculf, provost, Peter Colle, Robert, son of Nigel, Osbert of . . ., . . . de Stoke, Luke of Newlond, John Pascal, Thomas, clerk, and others.

Seal lost. 1542

Grant by Simon, son of Richard Whyrel, releasing to Richard the Mercer, citizen, and Margaret his wife, all claim in a tenement in Sidbury-stret, between that of Philip de Hyntes and Job Schep, and 2*d.* rent which they paid.

Witnesses: William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, bailiffs, John Comyn, Gervase le Fraunceys, John the Carter, Robert Payn, Philip of Hyntes, and others.

Seal lost. 1543

Grant by Robert, son of Simon Aleyn of Wych, confirming to Richard the Mercer 2*s.* rent received of Richard Leley and Margaret his wife, out of a plot of land between the tenements of Alice of Oxon and William Milcsop.

Witnesses: William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, bailiffs, Robert the Dekene, Roger of Stanweye, Thomas of Croule, Robert of Warwyk, Adam of Kempsey, *cissor*, and others.

Seal lost. 1544

Lease by John of the Lee of Mathune and Emma his wife to Henry of Suddeleye, cellarer, of a tenement in Suddeburistrete, between those of the Elemosinar, on either side.

Witnesses: Richard Colle and Adam of Pirie, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Roculf, William Colle, William le Parchementer, William Mahen, and others.

Seal lost. 1545

Grant by William, son of Geoffrey Baldric, of Worcester, to Simon his son of the tenement which William Coc and Anne his wife held in Sitcheburistrete, between that William Dalle held and that of William, son of Geoffrey.

Witnesses: John, son of Osbert and William Colle, bailiffs of Worcester, Pagan Burgeys, John Cumin, William Roculf, Peter Colle, Richard le Mercer, Hugh le Tayler, Simon le Seyneter, Roger de Stanweye, Henry de Coderugge, William Milcsop, and others.

Seal lost. 1546

Grant by William Par'chte, by Adam, called Brid, and Philip his son of a tenement in Sodbury next the gate of the Prior, paying annually to the almoner 7*s*.

Witnesses: Henry de Warmendone, Thomas de Hwittentone, Thomas Pochem, Reginald le Zelne, Walter Peniore, and others.

Seal lost. 1547

Grant by John de la Hulle, his wife Alice consenting, to God and the blessed Virgin Mary, 6 selions next those of Walter Burwold and a garden at 4*d*. rent.

Witnesses: Walter Burewold and Walter Widcock, bailiffs, Walter de . . . ., William Pride, William Codimon, Gerard . . . ., William Huntem, and many others.

Seal lost. 1548

1549 See Severne side.

1550 See Severne side.

Grant by Thomas Suthebury, citizen of Worcester, to Richard le Mercer, of a tenement lying between that of the said Richard and that of Philip of Heyntes in Suthebury, and reaching to the wall of the city, at 8*s*. rent.

Witnesses : William Roculf and Walter Quoyntrel, bailiffs of Worcester, John Comyn, John the Carter, Gervase le Medicus, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday after the Feast of the Ascension, 25 Edward I. (1297). 1551

Memorandum of a lease made by William de Intebergh, Almoner of Worcester Priory, to Henry of Warindone and Matilda his wife of a messuage in Sodeburystrete.

Sunday in the Octave of St. Peter and St. Paul, 25 Edward I. (1297). 1552

Lease dated Sunday in the Deposition of St. Oswald, 32 Edward I. (1304), by John de la Heth, almoner, to Henry de Werndon and Matilda his wife of a messuage and curtilage in Southberistrete between that of the lessee and Thomas Priche.

Witnesses : Richard de Grynenhulle, Nicholas de Aston, Thomas de la Hurste, Henry de Pechesley, Richard de Burgh, clerk, and others.

Seal lost. 1553

Covenant between Thomas of Braunsford, citizen, and Edith, daughter of Simon Gurnay, leasing the latter a shop in Sudbury, for the rent of a pair of new shoes (*sotulares*) at Easter and 12*d.* during the life of Edith.

Witnesses : Robert of Himbleton, bailiff, William Roculf, Richard the Mercer, John the Parchmenter, Thomas Poche, Henry of Warnedon, and others.

Dated Worcester, Friday after the Feast of St. Peter in Chains, 1 Edward II. (1307).

Seal lost. 1554

Grant by Edith, relict of Simon Gefrei, confirming to Richard the Mercer a tenement between that of Walter of Wyke and Stephen Tebance, in Souzburi strete.

Witnesses : William Roculf and Adam of Pirie, bailiffs, John Comyn, William Colle, Henry of Astone, Thomas Gros, John of Feckenham, and others.

Dated Worcester, Sunday before the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 3 Edward II. (1310).

Seal lost. 1555

Grant by Thomas of Luttleton, confirming to Thomas atte Pirie of Wycheland and Matilda his wife a tenement between land of Henry of Bruychur and Henry le stabler.

Witnesses: William of the Stone and Thomas Gros, bailiffs, Richard the Mercer, Richard of Hauckeslowe, Henry of Warndon, Henry le Brucher, Henry the Stabler, John Dalby, clerk, and others.

Worcester, Monday in the Conception of the Blessed Mary, 9 Edward II. (1315).

Seal lost. 1556

1557. See Lichstreet.

Grant by John the Parchmenter, citizen, to John the Mercer of a tenement in Suthebury, situated between that of John and the street, and reaching to the house of Richard the Bellyeter.

Witnesses: William of Marteleye and Adam of Pidele, bailiffs, John of Feckenham, John of Hornyngwold, John Lony, Richard the Bellyeter, William the Carter, Richard Adam, John of Sallow, John Dalby.

Dated Worcester, Friday, the morrow of Hilary, 10 Edward II. (1317).

Seal lost. 1558

Grant by Thomas atte Pirie of Wyche to Michael of Croppethorne and Emma his wife of a tenement in Southbury.

Witnesses: John the Mercer and Richard Adams, bailiffs . . . .

14 Edward II. (1320). 1559

Grant by Alice, widow of Thomas the Verrour of Worcester, confirming to John Lony, citizen, the tenement lying between those of Robert Throkmerton and John de Wadberewe in Sodbury, extending to that of Sir William Tracy, knight.

Witnesses: William Roculf and Henry of Malverne, bailiffs, John the Mercer, William the Carter, John the Belyeter, Huge de Brooke, John of Wadberewe, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday next St. Valentine, 14 Edward III. (1340).

1560

Sale by John of Strengesham, mason, to Alice, widow of Walter of Leye, mason, of all his goods and chattels and a tenement in Sothebury.

Sunday next St. Mathias, 15 Edward III. (1321). See Appendix.

1561

Fragment of a grant by William Pallynet . . . . John Dooy.

Witnesses: William of Piccleswyke and . . . ., bailiffs, John le Belyeter, John the Mercer . . . .

16 Edward 1562

Release by John, son and heir of Walter of Stanweie of Comberton, to Thomas of the mill of Stoke Prior, of all claim in a plot of land in Sidbury.

Witnesses: William of Pidleswyke and Bernard of Staunford, bailiffs, William le Carter, Peter of Greote, John the Mercer, William Roculf, John of Dumbletone, and others.

Dated Worcester, Friday in St. Chadd, 15 Edward III. (1341).

Fragment of seal. 1563

Lease by William of Inteberewe, carpenter, to Richard Coppe, Nicolas Pyke, Alexander Barbour, William Peyntour, John Nasch, and William Fustere of a tenement in Sudbury strete, between that of William Prys and the Almoner.

Witnesses: Robert Barowe and William Bayard, bailiffs, Richard Cok, Walter Valance, Nicolas Hamme, William Baken, Thomas Skelton.

Dated Worcester, Monday after the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 47 Edward III. (1373).

Seven seals: 1. The letter M within a double triangle. 2. A stag PR DIVES M. 3. A gateway, embattled, with gates closed, on either sides conventional shrubs; above the sun and crescent moon, S. BALLIVORVM CIVITATIS WYGORNIE. 4. Uncertain. 5. A double triangle. 6. Uncertain. 7. A pelican in piety . . . VEV . . SVI. 1564

Grant by John Lony, citizen, to Sir Richard of Hyndelep, chaplain, of a messuage in Sudebury, situated between the tenements of John of Wadbarewe and John Will in Sudburystrete.

Witnesses: Walter of Hayles, second bailiff, William the Carter, Peter Grete, John of Hernyngwold, Thomas Bauder, Bernard the Scynnere, Walter of Longeneye, Richard Gros, Richard Goseye, and many others.

Worcester, Wednesday after St. Peter, 19 Edward III. (1345).

Seal circular: A figure kneeling in prayer before St. John the Baptist... ITAT . . 1565

Grant by John of Chaddesley, rector of the church of Coleshill, to John of Stone of a tenement in Suthebury strete, between that of Henry Dabitot and the Earl of Warwick.

Dated Coleshill, Feast of St. Gregory, 20 Edward III. (1326).

Seal lost. 1566

Release by Thomas Baudoc and Margaret his wife to John of Todenham, priest, of 3*s*. rent in Sudbury.

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Ralph . . erner, bailiffs, John the Mercer, John . . ., Walter of . . .

Dated Worcester, Sunday after SS. Nereus and Achilles, 23 Edward III. (1349).

Seals: 1. The vernicle, with Saints and monsters. S' JOHANNIS HEVSLV. 2. Two birds fighting . . . ISV. 1567a

Grant by Richard the Wheler, citizen, confirming to Bernard of Staunforde a tenement between those of John of Redyng and Thomas Penne in Sothebury.

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Henry of Hertulbury, bailiffs, John the Mercer, Walter of Longneye, John Masyes, junior, William of Lench, Nicolas the Coppersmith, and others.

Dated Worcester, Monday next the Resurrection of our Lord, 22 Edward III. (1348).

Seal: A plumed star. . . . . RGO 1567

Release by Richard of Muchelneye to John of Todenham and John of Lemenstre, priests, of all claim in a tenement which John of Strensham, mason, held in Suthebury, which lies between that of Nicolas Saloman and that of the Master of the Hospital of St. Wulstan.

Witnesses: Simon Gros and Roger of Waltone, bailiffs, Walter le Carter, John le Mercer, Walter of Longneye, John of the March, and others.

Dated Sunday after the Feast of SS. Nereus and Achilles, 23 Edward III. (1349).

Seal lost. 1568

Grant by Richard Austyn of Saltford to John of Croule of a tenement in Southburystrete, which came to him upon the death of his sister, Margaret, and lies between those of Alexander Defford and John of Croule.

Witnesses: William le Kartere, Thomas his brother, John Lony, Simon Gros, and John Spelly, and many others.

Dated at Saltford, Sunday after All Saints', 26 Edward III. (1352).

Seal lost. 1569

Grant by John of Croule, senior, to William of Wynchcombe, corviser, of the tenement Alexander Defford held in Southbury strete.

Witnesses: John Spelly and John le Dyer, bailiffs, John of . . ., Richard Lorebugge, John of Warwyke, John . . .

Dated Tuesday after St. Peter in Chains, 30 Edward III. (1356). 1570

Grant by John of Oxon, parson of St. Andrew's, and John of Todenham, vicar of Overbury, to the Prior and Convent of 40*s.* rent, which John Spelly of Worcester gave them out of the tenement of John the Mercer, in Sudbury, situated between those of John the Belyetare and William the Goldsmith, and reaching from the City wall to the land of Sir John de Tracy, knight, and from a garden John le Belyetare held, and John le Chaundeler before him, in Forgatestrete without the City, between those of John atte Ree and Nicolas le Sengle, and from a tenement Richard Payn held in the High strete, between those of Thomas of Bocton and John Aylwin, reaching from the garden to the shop of Thomas, and from another in Bacstarestrete, which John Aylwin held, between those of Walter of Longneye and Thomas Cassy, reaching from the street to the garden of Richard Payn, and also another of Walter Longneye's in the same street, between those of Isolde of Tolwardine and John Aylwin, reaching from the street to the Grange of Isolde. Also a tenement in Frerenstrete, which Margaret of Stodleye holds, between those of Nicolas the Coppersmith and Nicolas the Gascoun, reaching from the street to the garden of Nicolas, and from a tenement in the corner of Lychstrete, between those of the Almoner on either side.

Dated Tuesday in the Feast of St. Vincent, 32 Edward III. (1359).

Seal: A bird. ORENOFE . FOULIS. 1571

Sidbury.

Grant by Robert of Bourton, baker, to Walter of Leye, mason, and Alice his wife of a tenement next that of the master of the hospital of St. Wulstan in Southbury strete.

Witnesses: William le Carter and Richard Gybbeson, bailiffs of Worcester, John le Mercer, . . . Warnedon, John of Forthampton, Robert of Preston, Walter of Wenlak.

Friday in Easter, 16 Edward II. (1323).

Seal: LOVE LONG. 1272

Grant by Margery Bernard, widow of Nicolas Rook of Worcester, saltman, to John of Merston, Thomas Kyngot, of the church of St. Swithin, and Sir Richard of Norton, chaplain, of a tenement in Sodburystrete.

Witnesses: Simon Poche and Richard atte Mere, bailiffs, William Carter, Thomas le Carter, John Redynge, Alexander Barbour, Richard Coppe, William Peyntour, senior, and others.

Dated Thursday in St. Martin, 35 Edward III. (1361).

Seal lost. 1572

Lease by John de Evesham, prior, to Walter Torel of a tenement in Sudburystrete, reaching from the street to that of Agnes of Stonwaie, for 40 years at 10*s.* rent.

Dated Sunday before the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 35 Edward III. (1361). 1573

Grant by William of Muchelneye, rector of the church of Seggesbarowe, and his co-feoffees, to Richard Norton, chaplain, of all claim in a rent out of the tenement of Margery Barnard.

Witnesses: Thomas of Lechfeld and Hugh Clerk, bailiffs, Robert Hayle, John Alyncestr, John Scheperleye, and others.

Dated Jan. 5, 43 Edward III. (1370).

Seal lost. 1574

Lease by Walter, prior of Worcester[1], to John Noryns, taylor, and Isabel his wife of a messuage in Sudbury, between those of Agnes Cooks and John Wybbe, for 40 years at 5*s.* rent.

Sudbury, Michaelmas, 44 Edward III. (1370).

Fragment of seal in green wax. 1575

Grant by Richard Coppe, Nicolas Wyke, carpenter, Alexander Barbour, William Peyntour, John Marsh, and William Fwstere, to William Yntberewe, carpenter, of a plot of ground in Sodburystrete.

Witnesses: Robert Baret and William Bayard, bailiffs, Robert Pugh, John Palmer, William Bakere, Nicolas Hamme, Walter Valaunce, and others.

Worcester, Sunday after the Assumption, 47 Edward III. (1373).

Seal lost. 1576

Grant by Thomas Kyngton, rector of St. Peter the Great, to John Reginald of Seggesberow, clerk, of a tenement in Sudburystrete, situated between that of the Pitanciar, called "Boreshedes," and the toft of Alexander of Besford.

Witnesses: Geoffrey Newman, John Bache, Thomas . . ., John Sawyare, William Croule, John Stevens, and others.

Seal: An Agnus Dei. EV IEHV. 1577

Grant by Sir William Asteleye, chaplain, to the Prior and Convent of Worcester of a tenement with its appurtenance between that of Roger

[1] Walter of Leigh.

of Penne and Alexander Besford in Southburystrete in the corner of the said street, to hold the same by customary service.

Witnesses: Thomas Lychfeld, John Barndesley, John Goldsmyt, Robert Hayle, Robert Baret, and others.

Worcester, 30 May, 1 Richard II. (1378).

Seal lost. 1578

Lease by John Malverne, sacrist, to John Hosey and Christina his wife of a messuage and an acre of land in Le Castel. An acre in Harefurlong. An acre in Clyffefurlong. An acre next Holeweye. An acre at Doneswell. An acre in Coppullhulle. An acre at Yatefurlong. An acre in Le Hatchet. An acre in the marshes at the mill. An acre in Wode furlong, and one of meadow in Wyrefurlong.

Dated 5 May, 14 Richard II. (1391).

Seal lost. 1579

Lease by John Dudley, master of the chapel, to Henry Wells and Avice his wife of a tenement in Sudbury, between those of John Kenles and Juliana Furmour, widow, at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Michaelmas, 4 Henry VIII. (1512).

Seal: N. crowned. 1580

Lease by John Dudley to John Holbroke, tyler, of a tenement in Sudbury, situated between those of Thomas Edwards and John Dylle, for 30 years at 8*s.* rent.

Dated 14 February, 10 Henry VIII. (1519).

Seal: Crossed lines. 1581

Lease by Joseph Hall, dean, to Thomas Huntbach, clothier, of Worcester, 25 November, 22 James I. (1624), on the surrender of a lease dated 22 November, 6 James I. (1608), of a garden in Northgate street, formerly held by John Warrett, and lying between the grounds of Gylbert Wheeler and John Bennett.

Seal lost. 1583

Lease by Christopher Potter, dean, to Thomas Chiles, 1 November, 14 Charles I. (1638), of a tenement in Sydbirie, between those of Anthony Philpott, clothier, and Thomas Clarke, weaver.

Signed and sealed. Bond attached. 1584

1585 Transferred to Section B. 1, No. 684a, under Old Sodbury.

Lease dated 25 November, 17 Charles II. (1665), by William Thomas, dean, to William Powlett of the Middle Temple, London, Esq., of a house and garden in Sidbury in the parish of St. Michael, between the tenement of Robert Birch on the north and that of Richard Hassard on the south, and on the west abutting upon the garden of Harry Greene, for 40 years at 18*s.* rent.

Signed. Seal lost. 1586

Timberdene[1] (*in St. Peter the Great*).

Grant by Alice, daughter of Robert, son of Ralph, to Osbert Claud of Worcester, for his service, 4*s.* 8*d.* rent, received of John Clerk and Gilbert de Piddel out of land in Thimberdene, lying between the manse of grantor and land of Laurence Chalam held of Philip the Clerk.

Witnesses: William Sebrond and John Percaminarius, provosts, Robert of Spechesle, knight, Luke of Newland, John of Bromhal, Walter Wille, John Cmin, Richard his son, Adam, son of Philip, Peter, son of Peter, Nicolas, son of Andrew, John Sprich, Walter "Juvenis," and Philip Carnifex.

Seal lost. 1587

Quitclaim by Richard, son of Osbert Blanket, to the Prior and Convent of all claim in a tenement which Richard Chyld of Wyfeld gave in free marriage to Osbert and Margery his wife, daughter of grantor.

Witnesses: Robert of Bracy, Richard of Emneberewe, Symon of Crombe, knights, Osbert of Abetot, Thomas of Codeleye, William of Piriton, Alan Ile, and many others.

Seal lost. 1588

Counterpart of last named deed. 1589

Grant by William of Kinerdesley, Juliana his wife assenting, to the Prior and Convent, in pure alms, to the use of the Almoner, of the land Richard of Apperberg held in Timberdene.

Witnesses: Master Thomas of the Mill, seneschal of the Bishop, Alan of Kimburleg, bailiff of Wyke, Symon the Seynterer, Druge of Piriton, William Baldrich, and others.

Seal lost. 1590

[1] Timber-denu, wooded valley.

Quitclaim by Thomas, son of William Vhtredcok of Tymbreden, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Almoner, of the moiety of a meadow and plot of land.

Witnesses: . . . . William Colle, Henry of Astone, John of Fecham . . . .

Dated, Monday next St. Michael . . . . Edw. . . . .

Seal lost. 1591

Grant by Richard of Wytfeld to the Prior and Convent of nine selions of land and two furrows at Tymberdenne, which William Alwod held, for 32 years from Michaelmas, 1260.

Witnesses: Master Thomas of Aldenton, seneschal of the Bishop, Alan of Kymburleg, bailiff of Wyke, Geoffrey of Blakewell, Simon le Seynterer, William Geffrey, Druge of Piriton, Robert le Stoer, and others.

Seal: A fleur-de-lis. SIGILL 1592

Quitclaim by Selania, daughter of Richard Chilt of Wytfeld, widow of Nicolas de . . . . nat, to the Prior and Convent, to the use of the Almoner, of all claim in lands in Tymbredene which her father gave her.

Witnesses: Sir William de Derneford, knight, George Pauncefot, William of Walton, Nicolas de la Grave, Simon of Walton, Simon of Apperlye, Robert Gerald, and others.

Seal lost. 1593

Grant by Robert le Steor, ... to William Frend, citizen, of . . . . in the field of Tymberdene.

Witnesses: William of the Mill, Master John, son of Peter, Richard of Greneberewe, John Wale of Wytintone, William, son of Geoffrey, Henry the Seynter, William of Tymberdene, William the Cook, Richard of Grimbesly, and many others. 1594

Deed of Richard de Fecham, ruined by chemicals.

. . . . 3 Edward II. 1595

Grant of arable land by Nicolas called Garset to the Almoner, of 10 marks rent out of land at Tymberdenne, part of which lies in Monefeld, and a croft between their land and that of William of Tymberden, and a plot by the R. Severn at the end of the meadow called Vuydlege on the R. Holebrooke.

Witnesses: Adam of Pidele, John of Feckenham, William Colle, Henry of Aston, William Ouhtrid, and others.

Dated Tymberden, St. John ante Portam Latinam, 6 Edward II. (1313).

Seal lost. 1596

Grant by William Outerych of Tymberdene to Prior Wulstan of a plot of land called le Ruyding in Tymberdene.

Witnesses: Nicolas of Astone, Richard of Hauckeslowe, Richard of Bikerestone, John le Mercer, John of Feckenham, and others.

Dated Tymberdene, 9 February, 16 Edward II. (1323).

Seal lost. 1597

Worcester Priory, Royal Charters.

Original Charter of Uhtred Underking of the Hwiccas of land near the River Salwarpe A.D. 770.

[Printed in Hickes' Thesaurus I. 170, Dugdale Mon. (Ed. 1817), Doc. ix. Kemble Codex Dipl. Aevi Saxonici, Vol. i. p. 144. Birch, Cartularium Saxonicum, Vol. i. p. 287. Facsimiles of Ancient MSS. Vol. II. See Hist. MSS. Com., 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 200.] 1598

Charter of Edgar, King (Basileus) of the Angles, emperor and lord of all the kings of the Isles of the Ocean, confirming previous grants of Aethelstan and of the Archbishop Dunstan, and the Bishops Aethelwold and Oswald, viz. of the half hundred of Cudburghlawes, 50 hides in Croppethorne, which Offa, King of the Mercians, gave the *familia* in Weoreceastre free from all royal exactions; Vuerabreodun with Penedoc, Teotintun with Myttune, Secgesbearuwe: in Monte Wiccisca, Norðwica, Eowenland, Deiglesford, Dorene and Iccumbe; on the River Stour, Scepwesctun and Blacwelle; on the west of the Severn, Grimenlege and Wittlege, Cnihtawicke, Hallege; and Herfordtun-next-Avene. And of rights in the hundreds of Wlfereslawe, Wmburgetrowe, and Oswaldeslawe.

Dated 964, Indiction VIII., and in the 6th year of King Edgar; signed by Aelfthryd the Queen, Dunstan Archbishop, Oschytel Archbishop of York, the Bishops Aelfstan, Aethelwold, Oswald, Osulf, Winsi, Wulfric, the Abbots Aescwi, Osgar, Aelfstan, Aelthelgar (*sic*), Aelfric, Kwneward (*sic*), the Dukes Aelfere, Britnod, Ordgar, Aelfach, Aethelwold, Aethelwine, and the Monks (*sic*) Brihtferd, Aelfwine, Aethelward, Wlstan, Earnulf, Osulf, Leofin, Aelfward, Wulstan, Athelmund, Osward, and Leofin. 1599

[See Dugdale Mon. (ed. 1817) Doc. lxvi. Also Kemble, Vol. vi. p. 237; Birch, Cart. Sax., Vol. iii. p. 377]

Confirmation by Charter of Inspeximus of Edward II. of the above, and also of a Saxon Charter of Edward the Confessor, directed to Wlstan

the Bishop, Aelfgar the Earl and Richard his housecarl, and all the thegns of Wigricestrescire, granting Alfstane soc and toll and team over his lands.

Also of a Charter of King William for Wlestan the Bishop and W. de Abitot, Sheriff, and all his French and English barons, confirming to Alfstane the dean, and the monks of Worcester all their customs and dignities. Witnesses: Gosfrid the bishop, R. count of Mortaine, R. de Ivreio. And of a Charter of the same for Urso de Abitot, and W. son of Corbuccio, of the land of Alueston and the mill of Salewarppe, which Wlstan the bishop gave them. Witness: R., the dispensator. And of a Charter of King Henry II. granting freedom from toll, passage, and all customs. Witness: Richard de Camville at Feccaham. Also of a Charter of John confirming their possessions in Lyndruge, Wulwardeleg, Stoke, and Cliva, with soc and sac, tol and team, Infangenthef trial by fire and water, &c., &c. Witnesses: William, Earl of [Salisbury], William, Earl of Arundel, William, Earl de Warenn, Peter, son of Herebert, William . . wert, Thomas Basset, Hugh de Novill, Garin, son of Gerold, . . . Basset. By the hand of Hugh of Welles, Archdeacon of Welles. Dated at Merleberg, 27 August, 9 John. And of another Charter, of Henry III. granting the Prior and Convent (on account of the burial of King John among them), tithe of wood in Feckenham forest and Kenefare and other rights in the forest. Witnesses: Richard, Earl of Cornwall, A., [bishop] elect of Winchester, Guy de Lezingan, Geoffrey de Lezingan, William de Valence, Richard de Clare, Earl of Gloucester and Hereford, Humphrey de Bohun, Earl of Hereford and Essex, John de Plessitis, Earl of Warwick, John Maunsell, Treasurer of York, Philip Lovel, Treasurer of the King, Robert Walerand, William de Gray, Walkelin de Arderi, William de St. Ermine, and others. Dated at Wodestok, 16 August, 40 Henry III. (1256).

This Confirmation and Inspeximus is witnessed by R. London, W. Wygorn, W. Exon, bishops, Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Gloucester and Hereford, Adomar de Valence, Earl of Pembroke, Hugh le Despenser, Nicholas de Segrave, and others. Westminster, 3 February, 6 Edward II.

1600

Licence from the Crown to the Prior and Convent to acquire in Mortmain 20 librates of land from John of Todenham, Chaplain, viz. a messuage, a toft, a carucate of land, 3 acres of meadow, 29*s*. rent, a moiety of ten acres of wood in Pechesley.

Lynderugge, 19 October, 29 Edward I. (1301).

Much torn. 1601

Exemplification of privileges, 14 November, 2 Henry IV. (1400).
(Hist. MSS. Com. 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 199.) 1602

General Pardon, dated Westminster, 31 July, 24 Henry VI. 1603

General Pardon of Henry VII. to the Prior and Convent, 24 June, 1 Henry VII. (1486).
(Hist. MSS. Com. 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 199.) 1604

Charter citing an indenture dated 14 May, 30 Henry VIII., wherein the Crown confirms to John Burne a lease of a house, with a barn and a pasture called Laytons containing 6 acres 3 roods, another called Hardeswyke containing 5 acres 3 roods, another called Ritthorne Leasowe containing 7 acres 1 rood, another called Monk Orchard containing 6 acres 1 rood, a meadow called Monke meadowe containing 21 acres, another called Kechynnes containing 10½ acres, the first crop in another meadow called Le Poole containing 9 acres, the first crop on Digley containing 15 acres, and the first crop on Le Mytre containing 2 acres 3 roods, all in the parishes of St. Peter, St. Clement or St. John, at a rent of £5 13*s.* 4*d.*, and also confirming the letters patent of the 14 January, 32 Henry VIII., granting to the said John the office of Parker of the park and warren of Battenhall, with the windfall wood, at a rent of 174 shillings.

Witness: Richard Ryche, Knight.

Dated at Westminster, 18 December, 33 Henry VIII. (1541).

Great Seal appended. 1605

Indenture of exchange, dated 4 March, 1 Edward VI. (1547), between the King of the first part, Edward, Duke of Somerset, lord protector, Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sir William Pawlet, K.G., St. John Russell, Lord Russell, K.G., Sir John Dudley, Earl of Warrwyke, K.G., Sir Thomas Wryothesleye, K.G., Earl of Southampton, Cuthbert Tunstall, Bishop of Durham, Sir Anthony Browne, K.G., Master of the Horse, Sir William Paget, K.G., Chief Secretary, Sir Anthony Denny, Kt., Sir William Herbarde, Kt., Sir Edward Mountague, Kt., Chief Justice, Sir Thomas Bromley, Kt., Justice, Sir Edward Northe, Chancellor of the Augmentation Court, Sir Edward Wootton, Kt., and Nicholas Wootton, LL.D., Executors of the late King's will, of the second part; and the Dean and Chapter of Worcester of the third part. To carry out this will of the said King, and to complement the same, the Dean and Chapter agree to exchange the Manors of Grimley and Hallow, of Henwick and Woodhall, with the Vicarage of Grimley, for the Rectory and Church of Kemsey, Lenchwick

and Norton, and the Manor of Icombe, together with the patronage of the Rectories of Warton, Wimbleton, Thornton, Old Radnor, and Deane.

Given under the Great Seal of England, and the Signets of the executors, viz. :—1. A phenix rising from its flames. 2. A defaced shield of arms, Quarterly. 3. A cock within the garter ribbon. 4. Defaced, within the said ribbon. 5. A man's head to left. 6, 7. Defaced. 8. Two storks within a ribbon. 9. Lost. 10. Bust of a late Roman Emperor with Crown of the East. 11. Quarterly; I., A saltire between 12 crosslets; II., A dance between six martlets; III., . . .; IV., As I. 12, 13. Lost. 1606

Confirmation of privileges under the great seal, dated 22 May, 1 Edward VI. (1547). 1607

Grant by the Crown, in consideration of the Manors of Grimley and Hallowe, and the Manors of Hynwik and Woodhall, and the Vicarage of Grimley and Hallow with its tithes, &c., in order to carry out the deed of the late King, dated the last of October in his 38th year. And in consideration of the fall in value of their lands and to complement the last will of the late King, and the agreement made March 4, 1 Edward VI., with the executors of the said will, of the Rectory and Church of Kemsey with all its rights, the Rectory and Church of Lenchwike and Norton, and the Manor of Icombe, together with the patronage of the Rectory of Warton, County Lanc., and of Wymbylton in the County of Surrey, with its chapelries, and of Thornton in Londesdale in the County of York, and of Old Radnor in the County of Hereford, and of Deane in the County of Bedford.

Dated at Westminster, 22 May, 1 Edward VI.

A fine charter of two membranes ornamented with an outline portrait of the King enthroned in robes of Estate and with various badges. The Great Seal of brown wax is annexed by green and white bobbins. 1608

Charter of Crown confirming to the Dean and Chapter goods of felons in their various manors.

Given at Westminster, 29 February, 4 William and Mary.

Fragment of Great Seal. Portrait, arms and badges in the margin. 1609

Worcester Priory, General.

Minutes of a Chapter General of the Benedictine Order held at Oxford, 1252. See Appendix. 1610

Draught of a summons for a Chapter meeting to consider matters requiring correction in the Bishop's late visitation, before the Bishop's return. (Thus Hist. MSS. Com., 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 192. See Appendix.) The translation seems to be: Health and happy success according to your wishes. Inasmuch as the Venerable Father, the Lord Bishop of Worcester, on this coming Wednesday proposes to come to us for the purpose of correction and reformation, if anything in his visitation to us and our monastery, which has very recently taken place, shall have been found worthy of correction and reformation; we command and strictly enjoin you by the duty by which you are bound to us, that you repair to us on this coming Tuesday, at least by the hour of vespers, to take counsel with us upon the matters aforementioned and other of our weighty affairs at Worcester. Farewell. 1611

Notification by the proctor(s) of the Prior and Chapter of Worcester of their appeal to the Apostolic See and the Court of the Legate, Cardinal Ottobon, in case of opposition on the part of the Archbishop of Canterbury, in the matter of the spiritual jurisdiction *sede vacante*, published in the church of Wynchecombe, on the Feast of St. Peter in Cathedra, 1265. The seals were affixed of the Abbot of Winchcombe, and the (Rural) deans of Gloucester, Theokesbury, Stowe, Caumpeden, and of Master P., vicar of Weston sub Egge Richard, rector of Heyford, E., vicar of Trilleye. See Appendix. 1612

Inspeximus by Ralph de St. Dennis, notary of the Apostolic See, of Letters Patent of N.[1], bishop of Worcester, renouncing for himself or his successor any right to administer the See *sede vacante*.

Witnesses: Sir Richard le Ver, chaplain of St. Dennis, Ranulph le Clerk, Elya of Braunfeld, Rob. of St. Neote.

Dated 8 Kal. of March, 1266. See Appendix. 1613

Mandate of Prior R.[2] and the chapter to their official, Master Wm. de Cokelaunde, to appoint proctors, viz., Wm. de Bradwey, a monk, and Geoff. de Cutsleye, to act for him in all causes arising *sede vacante*, in accordance with the letter of B.[3], Archbishop of Canterbury, which is cited.

Dated Worcester, Sunday after St. Gregory, 1266. 1614

Mandate of Ottobon, Cardinal Deacon of St. Adrian, to the Abbot of Cyrencestre, to respect the right of the Prior to visit his house *sede vacante*.

Dated at Cyrencestre, morrow of the Blessed Nicolas, 1266. 1615

[1] Nicolas. [3] Richard of Dumbleton. [2] Boniface.

Mandate of Cardinal Ottobon, addressed to the Archbishop of Canterbury on the part of the Prior and Convent of Worcester, certifying their rights to administer *sede vacante*, and appointing Martin of Cleir and William of Rokelande their Commissaries during the vacancy caused by the death of Bishop Walter.

Dated Warwick, xiv Kalends of September, in the 2nd year of Pope Clement IV. (1267).

Seal lost. 1616

Confirmation and Inspeximus of Archbishop Boniface's Compositions with the Prior of Worcester by the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, October, 1275.

See Appendix. 1617

Declaration that the Prior and Convent have rights to act *sede vacante*, and certificate that their proctors, viz., Master John de Scheldesle and Walter of Hyde, clerks, duly promulgated the decree to that effect published by Cardinal Ottobon in the Great Church of Worcester.

Thursday before Easter, 1268. In the presence of Henry . . . of the church of St. Andrew, John, rector of St. Swithin, Sir John, master of the Carnarie, Sir Richard de Stanford, chaplain, Sir Adam de Blokel, chaplain, Richard Muriel, Sir Hugh, rector of St. Michael, Henry, rector of the church of Oswaldesmede, Master Stephen de Olieby, rector of the church of Legh, Simon Alley, Ingeram Marescall.

Seals lost. 1618

Act dated iiii Nones of May, 1268, and published in the Hall of Boniface, Archbishop of Canterbury, in his vill at Cherringes before the said Archbishop and his Court, in the presence of Ralph of St. Denis, Notary of the Apostolic See, and William of Slouhter, clerk, Proctor of the Prior and Chapter of Worcester, and of William of Bradwey, Proctor of the Monks of Worcester. The said Proctor of the Prior on behalf of the Chapter bound himself to defend their claim to ordinary jurisdiction and administration of the spiritualities of the See of Worcester *sede vacante*, asserting that they held that right from ancient times *a tempore cuius memoria non existet*, attesting the document signed at Worcester, Tuesday after Easter, 1268, and notarially attested. The said Act was published in the presence of Martin Roger de Lewenton, clerk, John, Proctor of Sir Berard of Naples, papal Notary, and Laurence de Cheton, layman.

Attestation of Ralph de St. Dennis, Notary of the Apostolic See, in the presence of Master Stephen, Archdeacon of Canterbury, Sir William, Prior

of Dover, Master Peter, Official of the Archbishop, John of Fawersham, and William of Liegge, Thomas of Cherringes, John of Worcester, clerk, and many others. 1619

Covenant between Nicolas, Bishop of Winchester[1], Roger, Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield[2], Walter, Bishop of Exeter[3], William, Bishop of Bath and Wells[4], Godfrey, Bishop of Worcester[5], and John, Bishop of Hereford[6], Suffragans of Canterbury. Given at Ruding on the morrow of the Sunday, *Letare Jerusalem*, 1270. Touching the right of the See of Canterbury during vacancies of Suffragan Sees.

(Hist. MSS. Com. 14th Report, p. 195.)

Seals lost. 1620

Letter of Geoffrey de Verano, Treasurer of the Pope, Clerk Apostolic, to Master James de Rozano, Chancellor of Chichester, granting him 7*s.* procurations from the religious of Worcester towards the sum of 39*s.*, which is to be raised in England.

London, 9 March, 1295. 1621

Mandate of Robert (Winchelsey), Archbishop of Canterbury, to the official of the Archdeacon of Gloucester, declaring decrees and acts of the Prior of Worcester in the dispute with Gloucester and Tewkesbury to be null and void.

Fulham, 13 July, 1303.

Fragment of an oval seal in green wax: The representation of the martyrdom of St. Thomas of Canterbury, with a crucifix over it, and below a prelate praying, in an arched compartment. 1622

Mandate of Master William Testa, administrator (during the suspension of Archbishop Winchelsey) of the Archbishopric of Canterbury by authority of the Apostolic See, published on Monday after St. Calixtus, to the Prior and Chapter of Worcester in full consistory, ordering them to administer the spiritualities of the See of Worcester, vacant by the death of Bishop William de Geynesbury, 1308. With notarial attestations of Thomas of Stoke, clerk of the Diocese of Exeter, in the presence of Master Reginald of Heyton, Robert de Soutton, and Richard of Alyncestre, clerks. 1623

Mandate of Robert, Archbishop of Canterbury, in the dispute between the Prior and Convent of Worcester and the Abbot and Convent of

[1] Nicholas of Ely. [2] Roger of the Mill. [3] Walter Bronescomb.
[4] William of Bitton. [5] Godfrey Giffard. [6] John le Breton.

Gloucester, on the right of the former to visit them *sede vacante.* Citing documents dated at Worcester, iiii Ides of January, 1308, Gloucester, iii Ides of the same month, &c. Given at Magefeld, xv Kalends of February, 1308, and confirmed by Martin Michael of Barham, Chancellor of the Archbishop, in the presence of Masters Reginald of St. Albans, Archdeacon of London, Nicholas of Knovyle, Rector of the Church of Maydestone, John of Wynchelse, priest, Philip of Turvyle, Canon of Monmouth, Henry de Derby of Cheyham, William of Swantone of Rungetone, in the Diocese of Norwich.

Attested by Geoffrey de Brauntone, clerk of the Diocese of Lyncoln.

1624

Mandate of Robert, Archbishop of Canterbury, at the suit of the Abbot and Convent of Gloucester, in settlement of the long dispute between them and the Prior and Convent of Worcester.

Dated, Lambeth, iiii Ides March, 1309. 1625

Order of the Archbishop to the official of Worcester to publish his sentence *re* the said Visitation. (See *Reg. Sede vacante,* Vol. 1, p. 125.)

Dated 5 Ides of August, 1309. 1626

Roll containing :

1. Mandate of the Prior, dated 2 December, 1313, to announce to the Abbot of Gloucester his Visitation.
2. The Abbot's reply.
3. Copy of the commission of Henry, prior of Canterbury, Feast of St. Katherine, 1313.
4. The Prior's monition.
5. Excommunication. Sentence and effects.
6. Appeal to Chancellor of Hereford. Feast of St. Matthew. 1627

Letter of the Prior of Worcester to the Abbot of Gloucester, dated 6 Ides of December, 1313, giving notice of his intended Visitation of the monastery upon Tuesday, the Feast of St. Lucy. 1628

Appointment by the Prior of John de Gloucester and John de Stratford to act for him as proxies in all causes during the vacancy of the See.

Dated 2 Nones of May, 1314. 1629

Commission of the Prior of Wenlok, the Abbot of Dore, and the Prior of Wormeleye delegated by the Apostolic See to visit the Abbey of Alincestre and the Priory of Doddeford, and to hear the cause between the abbot

and convent of Gloucester, William de Yrebi, monk of the same, and the Prior of Worcester.

Dated Wenlok, Sunday after the feast of St. Urbanus, 1314. 1629a

Appointment by the Prior of Worcester to John de Stratford, a monk of that monastery, to act for him *sede vacante* in the last named cause. 1630

Decree of the Abbot of Dore and his colleagues, the Prior of Wenlok and the Prior of Wormeleye. (Fragmentary.) 1631

Appointment by John, prior of Worcester, of John of Gloucester and John of Stratford, monks, to act as his proctors.

2 Nones of May, 1314. 1632

Mandate of Walter [1], Bishop of Worcester, dated at Kemsey, 14 August, 1314, in the presence of the proctors of the Prior of Worcester and of the Abbot of Gloucester, releasing the sentences and censures pronounced against the said abbot by the Prior acting *sede vacante.* 1632a

Exemplification of the procuration by the Abbot of St. Peter's, Gloucester, of Reginald of Peche by the Abbot of Cirencester, of William Savage, and by the Prior of Worcester of Wulstan of Braunesford, and by the Prior of Llanthony of Richard Dolbedeley.

Dated Gloucester, 3 Ides of October, 1314, Llanthony, Feast of St. Calixtus, 1314, and Cirencester, 4 Kalends of December, 1314. 1633

Letter of Prior Wulstan to Sir Roger Credentin, clerk, much damaged by chemicals. 1634

Copy of an inquisition taken at Worcester dated 12 September, 1 Edward III. (1327). The jury find the Prior of Worcester holds his lands in pure alms. 1635

Part of a licence to the Prior and Convent to receive in mortmain four and a half knight's fees in ? Sedgeberrow, Spechesleye, Chyrchulle, Bradecote, and Evenlode. 1636

[1] Walter de Maydeston.

Exemplification of a suit heard on 21 July, 1337, in St. Nicholas' chapel, called the Prior's, before Prior Wulstan and in the presence of John of Northampton, concerning certain who broke the constitutions and disturbed the inmates in the house of John atte Grene in the cemetery. Attested by Nicholas Northe, clerk, Notary of Worcester. 1637

Decree under the seal of the Baillivate of Worcester, Monday after St. Bartholomew, 14 Edward III. (1340), in a suit brought by the Prior in the person of his proxy, John Dalby, against Stephen Beurnes and Agnes his wife, Edith de Wynnewode and Roger Wynnewode, disputing their right in a messuage in St. Mary, of which they had disseised him. Monday after the Decollation of St. John the Baptist last.

Fine impression of the seal in brown wax. 1638

Act of Court, dated 5 August, 1268, granting William of Bradeweye, Proxy of the Monks of Worcester, the sum of xv marks, arising out of various rights granted the Monastery by letters Apostolic.

Given in London in the Hospice of James de . . . . . ., in the presence of Sir Bartholomew de Kapella, Kt., and Master Geoffrey de Cuberleye, clerk, and attested by Luke de Warton, Notary of the Apostolic See. 1639

Appeal from the judgment delivered by the proctor of the Archbishop of Canterbury against his refusal to allow Robert de Viche and Ranulph to act as proctors for the Prior. Heard before J. de Caballo, cardinal deacon, A.D. 1350. 1640

Mandate of John, Prior of Worcester, constituting Thomas Bardesleye, cellarer of the Priory, his proctor.

10 Kal. July, 1350. 1641

Mandate of Guillerius, Cardinal priest of St. Lawrence in Lucina, papal Commissioner, to the sub-prior of Worcester, to make enquiry and collect evidences among the monks and others concerning charges of irregularity brought against Prior John [1].

Avignon, 23 January, 3 Urban V. (1364-5) . . .

(See Hist. MSS. Com., 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 198.) 1642

Acquittance for sums being paid to the Prior *sede vacante* by . . . . de Lamaore, clerk to the Archbishop.

Batynhale 10 . . . ? 1368. 1643

[1] John de Evesham.

Certificate granted by Bishop William [de Lynn] after his Visitation of the Priory, to the then Prior, of valid title to certain impropriations named in the deed after exhibition of evidences, viz. of the parish church of Wyke, with the chapels of St. John and of Wichenford, the churches of Tyberton and Grymeleye, with the chapel of Hallow, of Dodderhull, and Bremesgrove, with the chapel of King's Norton, of Woluardeleye, Overbury and Croppethorne, Clyve Prior's, a portion of 2*s.* from the parish church of Knyghtwyke; of 4*s.* out of that of Kekyngwyke; of 2*s.* out of that of Spechesleye; 6*s.* out of that of Bradwas; 30*s.* out of that of Stoke Prior's; 26*s.* 8*d.* out of that of Hertlebury; 68*s.* out of that of Seggesberewe; 38*s.* 4*d.* out of that of Herforton; 36*s.* 4*d.* out of that of Humeltone; 2*s.* out of St. Peter the Great; 20*s.* out of St. Andrew; 15*s.* out of St. Swythin; 6*s.* 8*d.* out of All Saints; 6*s.* 8*d.* out of St. Clement; 13*s.* 4*d.* out of St. Martin.

Dated at Hembury in the Saltmarsh, 22 July, 1372. 1644

Privy Seal directed to the Abbot of Evesham, the Prior of Worcester, and John atte Wode to hasten collection of a loan to provide for the needful defence of the church and realm. (French.)

Westminster, 17 June, 44 Edward III. (1370). 1645

See Appendix.

Mandate of Henry (Wakefield), bishop of Worcester, citing letters of Richard II. founding the chantry-chapel called Le Charnell in the cemetery of the church of Worcester, between the church and "our hall," and granting the advowson of the same to the Convent to the use of the Sacrist's office.

Hartleburie, 20 September, 1385. 1646

Indenture between John Fordham, prior, and Richard Oseney and Alice his wife, granting the latter the benefit of masses and prayers, &c., during their lives.

Feast of St. Andrew, 12 Henry VI. (1433). 1646a

Plea in a suit before the Justices at Westminster, Hilary Term, 26 Henry VI. (1448). The Prior contra William Clyve and Agnes his wife, who made forcible entry into his close at Worcester, and there wounded his servants. 1647

Order by John, bishop of Worcester[1], to deliver from the gaol in the castle of Worcester certain persons forcibly taken out of Sanctuary, who were dwelling in the House of John Hyll there.

Dated at our hospice the Barre of the New Temple, London, 21 May, 1460. 1648

Mandate of John [Morton, Abp. of Canterbury], Cardinal priest of St. Anastasia, to the Prior of Worcester to assume jurisdiction *sede vacante* after the death of Bishop John de Giglis.

Dated 1 September, 1498.

Seal oval: Our Lord in Glory under an elaborate tabernacle, in the centre of which is an effigy of the Holy Mother, with watchers in the attitude of prayer on either side; at the sides are figures of Saints. SIG . . . . MORTO . . . . XPI. 1649

General Pardon granted to Prior Wenlok and the Convent of Worcester.

Dated Westminster, 10 October, 9 Henry VII. 1650

Commission by Hugh Peyntwhynne, LL.D., Archdeacon of Canterbury, to William Wenlok, Prior of Worcester, Master Thomas Wedyngton, Doctor in Decretals, and Sir Thomas Meldenham, Sacrist of Worcester, to instal Silvester (de Giglis) Bishop of Worcester.

Dated Lambeth, 3 April, 1499. 1651

Licence from the Crown to lead water to the Priory from Henwick over the Severn Bridge, 8 May, 8 Henry IV. (1407), by way of Hiltonstrete over the Severn Bridge, and by the banks of the Severn to the Priory, with free ingress to repair the said aqueduct.

(See Hist. MSS. Com., 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 193.) 1575

Licence from Richard Oseney and William Boghton, bailiffs, Walter Dockyng and William Myles, aldermen, John Wodde, Thomas Howster, Robert Nelius, Thomas Swyney, Henry Noddye, John Swynnerton, John Frewen, Robert Sutton, Richard Michell, John Hall, groser, William Poleyn, Henry Comyn, and all the City, to Prior Fordham and the Convent, to carry water along the Castle ditch and town ditch under its walls to the great gate of the Priory, on the payment of a rose rent annually on Monday after Michaelmas.

12 Henry VI. (1434).

Seal lost. 1576

[1] John Carpenter.

Composition between the Prior and Convent and the Corporation of Worcester to make a conduit to carry water over the Severn Bridge to the Priory, settling disputes anent encroachments, settling a Socage rent out of a plot near the bridge, purpresture made by the monastery to be allowed to be taxed easily in suits in the city courts, awards of Bishop Boyrchier and others, the right of the city officials to carry maces in the Cathedral.

1 August, 1516. 1653

Commission from William, Archbishop of Canterbury[1] and Legate of the Apostolic See, to the Prior of Worcester to administer the spiritualities of the See during the vacancy.

Dated 28 April, 1521.

Fragment of seal: The Holy Trinity within a tabernacle. 1654

Inhibition by George, Archbishop of Canterbury[2], of all visitation by the Dean of Worcester or other inferiors, during his visitation of the Province.

Signed 11 March, 1615. Seal lost. 1655

Injunctions of Richard Davids, D.D., Thomas Yonge, Rowland Meyrigg, Professor of Law, and Richard Pater, Professor of Common Law, Queen Elizabeth's Visitors, to be observed by the Dean and Chapter.

(Hist. MSS. Com., 14th Report, Part VIII., p. 193.) 1656

Commission of William (Wake), Archbishop of Canterbury, to Francis Hare, Dean of Worcester, to administer the See in the vacancy.

7 September, 1717. 1657

Dotation Charter of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester, granting them the Manors of Hardewyke, Beverey, Wolverley, Grymley, Hallow, More, Newenham, Segebarowe, Cropthorne, Netherton, Chorleton, Overbury, Tydyngton, Herforton, alias Hervyngton, Bradwas, Shypstone, Blakwell, Cleue, alias Cleue Prior's, Tyberton, Crowle, Stoke Pryor, Hymultone, Bredycote, Anckerden, and Dodenham in the County of Worcester, Icombe in the County of Gloucester, Overberowe in the County of Hereford, which belonged of ancient right to the dissolved Priory of the Blessed Mary.

And also all and singular the messuages in the Sanctuary in the parish of St. Michael, &c., &c.

Dated at Westminster, 24 January, 33 Henry VIII.

[1] William Warham. [2] George Abbott.

Seal lost, but the green and white silky bobbins remain. The heading is illuminated in gold and colours. The capital H contains a portrait of the King in robes of Estate. There are also the arms of England, and of the Order of the Garter, the supporters of the King, and the badge of feathers with the motto *Ich dien* on a background, per pale azure and gules irradiated. The interstices ornamented with strawberries, heartsease, roses, clove pinks, and cornflowers. 1680

ADDENDA.

DOCUMENTS DISCOVERED SINCE GOING TO PRESS.

All Saints.

Lease dated 18 June, 1650, between William Hughes of Worcester, clothier, and Anne his wife, and Richard Fisher of London, chaundler, citing an indenture made by Sir John Wollaston, Kt., Robert Tytchborne, Thomas Noell, Marke Hildersley, Thomas Arnold, Owen Roe, Stephen Estwicke, George Langham, John Stone, John White, William Wyberd, Daniel Taylor, William Rolfe, and Rowland Wilson, Esq., under Acts of Parliament for abolishing of Deanes, &c., bearing date 4 October, 1649, of a messuage in Broadstreet having on the east a tenement late in the tenure of Edward Biddle and another in the tenure of Henry Smyth on the west, which were leased to Henry Smyth 23 June, 17 Charles I. (1641), at a rent of 6*s.* 8*d.*

Signed and sealed. 983a

Worcester City.

Lease dated 19 July, 11 Elizabeth (1569), by Edward and John, sons of Richard Barbour alias Taylor of Worcester, tailor, to Thomas Haywood of the same, mercer, citing that John Harford, gent., held "The More" and Frenchemen's Croft, sometime the property of the late White Ladies, and also the tithe of the same, and by lease dated 3 February, 30 Henry VIII. (1539), to Nicolas Vdall, Master of the Hospital of St. Oswald, and the said John Harford, by lease dated the Nativity of our Lord, 34 Henry VIII. (1542), granted the same to Richard Barbour, which now the said Edward and John his sons lease to Thomas Haywood for £16.

Seals: 1. An arrow piercing a cinquefoil between the letters A. E. 2. A fess between three pears. 1436a

St. John's (in Bedwardine).

Lease dated 25 November, 14 James I. (1616), by Dean Lake to George Gower, M.A., of Oxford, of the site of the manor of St. John's called the Pytensares Farm, which Alice Gower, his mother, had formerly held, and

a moiety of the common meadow called Prichecroft, Blackfield, Proscroft or Puscroft, and Wallfield.

Seal: On a fess between three boar's heads couped a lion passant guardant. 1496a

Lease dated 1 June, 19 James I. (1621), by Dean Hall to Stephen Naylard of Worcester, gent., of the Little Home in Netherwicke, late in the tenure of Dr. Goldisborough, Prebendary of Worcester, at 10*s.* rent.

To this is attached an assignment to Ellinor, wife of John Newbold, D.D., dated 7 August following; on the dorse is a further transfer by Richard Archbold, her executor, to Ellinor her daughter, the wife of George Drew, dated 2 November, 1636, and an assignment by her to Thomas Drummond, vicar of Chaddesley Corbet, and by him to Nathaniel Tompkins, clerk.

11 February, 1638.

Seal: 1. Lost. 2. A chevron. 1496b

Lease dated 24 May, 1651, by John Oldbury of Water Lambeth, gent., executor of will of George Paule of the same to Luke Hackett of London, beerebrewer, citing lease of Dean Potter dated 23 June, 14 Charles I., demising to the said John the site of the manor of Hardwick, &c. &c., together with the barne close and Poole close, a meadow called the Sling reaching from Muncks Meadow to Actons, and a plot called Priours fields and Leppards, at £38 rent.

Signed and sealed. 1499a

Inspeximus directed to John Bicodonne and Richard Gascoyne, bailiffs of Worcester, John Barell, Richard Nortone, Walter Hayle, Thomas Beoley, Thomas Seabold, Hughe Oldebury, Richard Halle, William atte Metre, John Suckeley, John Stevenes, Thomas Tolwardyn, and William Wakes, citizens of Worcester, of a charter of William Mucheneye, rector of the church of Siggesbarowe, John Carlton, rector of the church of St. Swithin, Henry Cotterell, chaplain, William Asteleye, chaplain, John Creule, senior, John Barndesleye, and John Henleye, all of Worcester, granting William Hulle, rector of the church of Newchurche in the Diocese of Winchester, Sir Adam Sheperd, chaplain, Sir Ralph Lebury, chaplain, William Tiburton of Worcester Priory, Hugh le Cooke of the same, and John Streete, clerk, and their heirs and assigns 75*s.* rent, which they had by feoffment of Thomas le . . . citizen, viz., 16*d.* rent from the tenement in which Edmund de Lyne dwelt, situated between that of Simon Pooche and John Barndesleye, 23*d.* rent from a tenement . . . . Kyngton, the cellerer, held in the same street, between that of Philip and John le Herd, 4*s.* from the tenement

in which John le Taylor dwells in the same street, between that of William le Cartare and Philip, and 7*s.* rent from a tenement of . . . Swynwarton in the same street, between that of William and a tenement of the chantry of St. Elene; 8*s.* 6*d.* from that Nicholas Piper, baker, held, which Xristian de Barndesleye formerly held, between that of the Abbot of Halys and that of Nicholas, and reaches from the street to the tenement of John de Powyke; 3*s.* rent from a tenement John Powyke held in Poywykestone, between that of Nicholas Piper and a close belonging to the same Nicholas; 4*s.* rent from a tenement of Swynwarton in the High Street, between the tenement of John Somerey and that of Thomas Pedmore, and 5*s.* rent from the tenement of William Penne, smyth, in Broad Street, between that of Nicholas Kooke, and the reversion of the said tenement on the death of the said William, Benedicta his wife and the heirs of their body, and 12*d.* from the tenement of Margery atte Mulle, between the tenement of John Colewelle and that of John Palmer; 8*s.* rent from the tenement of William Cabille in the same street, between that of John Bacon and William Byton; 10*s.* rent which Adam Goodwyne held in Eporte, between the tenement of Nicholas le Dyere and that of Richard Poywyke, and 20*d.* from a garden in Brudeporte which Richard Enge held, between the tenement of the Bishop of Hereford and *Shipmonneslone*, and reaching from Brudeporte to the tenement of Richard Enge; 5*s.* rent out of the tenement of Thomas Hayle in Wodestathestrete, between the tenement of Richard Enge and Robert Poywyke; 18*d.* rent from a tenement in which John Poywyke sometime dwelt in Hokesterestret, between the lane called *Houndeslone* and the tenement of Thomas le Cartare, citizen, and 2*s.* 6*d.* rent from the tenement in which John Lorimere dwells in Brudeporte, between that of Thomas Braunsforde of Pershore and John Lorimere; 2*s.* rent out of a tenement Margery Copersmyth and John Ware held in Frerenstrete, between the close of Richard Gascoyne on both sides; 2*s.* rent from the tenement of Christiane Macyes in Melechepyng, between a waste plot belonging to the Infirmarer of Worcester and the tenement of William Hamptone, and 2*s.* rent from the tenement of William Hamptone in the same street, between that of Philip le Tiler and Christian Macyes. Under the seal of the Bailiff of Worcester.

Witnesses: Thomas Lichfeld, Hugh of Oldebury, bailiffs, John Allycestre, John Shepeleye, Robert of Pencombe, John Goldsmyth, John Turner, and others.

Dated at Worcester, Sunday after Michaelmas, 43 Edward III. (1369).

And of another charter of the same confirming to the said feoffees 11*s.* 4*d.* rents, viz. 3*s.* 4*d.* from the tenement which Felne Tynker holds in Broad Street, between the tenement of William Norton and that of John

Coole, hoppere, and 4*s*. out of the tenement of Matilda Rappul in the same street, between that of William of Abindone and John Ware, 4*s*. from the tenement John Fesaunte held without Foregate, between that of John Trewefrere and the close of the Bishop of Worcester, which rents they held by feoffment of Thomas le Cartare, citizen.

Witnesses as in the last charter—given at Worcester, Sunday after St. Wolstan, 43 Edward III. (1369).

And an Inspeximus of a charter of the same feoffees, citing a Licence in Mortmain to the Prior and Convent of Worcester, to acquire 100*s*. in land and rents, and 20 librates of land and rents. The 100*s*. to augment the sustentation of a chaplain in the chapel of the Blessed Mary to celebrate there daily, and the 20 librates of land to be held in mortmain, and further licensing William of Arteleye, chaplain, John of Kirkeby and John of Wellesburgh to enfeoffee the above feoffees in the Manor and advowson of Bradecote. William Hulle, parson of Newchirche, William of Tiburton and Hugh Cooke in 6 marks rent in Worcester, and William of Asteley in 12*s*. rents, and Thomas Ryngiot, parson of the church of St. Peter-the-Great, and Richard Northton, chaplain, 6 marks, and to convey the same to the Prior and Convent in augmentation of the said chaplain's salary.

Westminster, 10 May, 1 Richard II. (1378). With the Confirmation of the same to Prior Walter and the Convent.

Witnesses: Richard Nortone and John Hareford, bailiffs, Thomas Lichfield, John Goldsmith, John Barndesleye, Richard Baret, John Palmer, Richard Cowarne, John Alincestre, John Shepeleye, Richard Maisemoor, and many others.

Dated Worcester, 20 April, 1 Richard II. (1378).

Dated 22 September, 23 Richard II. (1399). 1603a

Worcester Priory.

Exemplification of the Commission by Robert, Archbishop of Canterbury, to the Prior of Worcester to act *sede vacante* on death of Godfrey Giffard, Bishop of Worcester, 13 March, 1301.

Attested by William de Maldon, Notary of London. 1621a

Grant from the Crown to Thomas Musard, Prior of Worcester and his successors of escheats, goods and chattels, &c., of felons.

Dated Westminster, 1 December, 8 Edward IV. (1468).

Fragment of seal in white wax. 1602a

Inspeximus of rents granted to the Priory in Worcester, 22 September, 23 Richard II. (1399). 1603a

Letters Patent granting Priory licence to acquire in Mortmain 10 marks rent in Bradecote, Bedewardyn, Beverey, Wyke Episcopi, Worcester, Newenham, Grympeleye and Berborne.

3 September, 17 Richard II. (1393).

Seal lost. 1603b

Barborn.

Licence by Francis Willis, Dean, to Edward Thomas the elder, of Claines, gent., to assign his lease of a messuage in Barbourne to Robert Rowland alias Stegner.

23 June, 34 Elizabeth (1592).

Seal lost. 1436b

Edgar Tower.

Lease of the great tower to 25 November, 19 Charles II. (1667), by Dean Potter to Francis Street, reserving the room used as Porter's Lodge and the room in which the Registrar keeps the books and Chapter Acts, which is above the said Lodge. 1186a

Grant by Olive, wife of John, son of Stephen, to Cristina her daughter, of 2*s*. rent which Nicolas Golde paid out of 2 houses between those of Hugh the Goldsmith, and which William Springfeld held in Nelderestret, and which William Colle her father gave her in free marriage.

Witnesses: Walter the Merchant, Alured called Ydwin, provosts, Adam Pidel, William de Pidele, John Cradam, Roger of Oxford, John Priche, Pain Borgeys, John Alexander, William Peet, Peter Peet, William the Clerk, and others. 1320

Charter of Edward the Confessor inserted in No. 1600.

Anglo-Saxon Form of the Charter. (1)

+ Eaðpeaɼð cýnz zɼet ɼulɼtan . þ . ⁊ ælfzaɼ eoɼl . ⁊ Ricaɼð mine huɼcaɼll . ⁊ ealle mine þeznaɼ on ɼizɼiceɼtɼe ɼɼenðlice . ⁊ ic cýðe eoɼ þ ic habbe zeunnen alfɼtane munece þ he beo hiɼ ɼace peoɼðe ⁊ hiɼ ɼocne . ⁊ tolleɼ ⁊ teameɼ . oɼeɼ hiɼ lanð ⁊ oɼeɼ hiɼ menn binnan ɼoɼte ⁊ butan . ⁊ ic nelle zeþaɼian þ him æniz man æniz unlaze beoðe.

Anglo-Norman Copy of the Charter. (2)

+ Eaðpeaſð cýng gret pulſtan . ꝑ . ⁊ ælfgaſ eorl . ⁊ Ricaſð mine huſcaſll . ⁊ ealle mine pegnas on pigriceſtre frenðlice . ⁊ ic cýðe eop ꝑ ic habbe ȝeunien alfſtane munete ꝑ he beo his ſace peozðe . ⁊ his ſocne . ⁊ tolles ⁊ teames . ofeſ his lanð ⁊ ofeſ his menn binnan pozte ⁊ buton . ⁊ ic nelle gepaſian ꝑ him ænig man ænig unlage beoðe.

Translation.

Edward the king greets Wulstan the bishop, and Ælfgar the earl, and Ricard my house-carl, and all my thanes in Worcestershire friendlily; and I make known to you that I have granted to Alfstan the monk, that he be worthy of [i.e. properly qualified for] his sacu and his soken, and toll and team, over his land and over his men within town and without, and I will not permit that any man should offer him any injustice [lit. un-law].

1600

All that the copyist has done is to alter the A.-S. letters to Anglo-French ones, and to make one or two pardonable mistakes.

Thus, he writes ſ and s instead of ſ, according to position. Also ſ and z (after an *o*) for ꝓ (*r*). He makes ꝑ (*w*) and þ (*th*) precisely alike, which is usual at his date. Also f for ꝼ; t or ꞇ for ꞇ; and the French g instead of A.-S. ȝ. He dots the ý, which is right.

I believe he is wrong as to the following:—

. ꝑ . error for . ꝑ . the usual short form of *biscop* (bishop).

He has misread *geunnen*, and turned it into *geunien;* one downstroke too few.

The A.-S. *munece* he has altered to *munete.*

There is little else to be said. ꝑ is for *þæt* = 'that.'

geunnen = granted.

For *munete*, read *munece*, dative.

Sace and *socne* mean "of *sacu* and *socn* (or *soken*)." The usual forms *sac* and *soke* are incorrect. There never was a *sac* or *sak*. *Sace* is the gen. of *sacu* (mod. E. *sake*) used in the technical sense of 'privilege to hear legal disputes.' And *sōcne* is the gen. of *sōcn* (mod. *soken*, as in *Port-soken*), which Kemble took to mean the same as *sacu* (which is absurd); but in Toller's A.-S. Dict. it is better explained by 'the right to inflict a fine.' i.e. he had the right to hear a cause and to assign the penalty. There has been much incorrect use of *sak* and *soke* in later documents, and a good deal of mistaken opinion.

Walter W. Skeat.

[The Anglo-Saxon Form given above is reconstructed by Professor Skeat from the Anglo-Norman copy, the only extant form of the Charter.]

APPENDIX.

I. *Covenant of Christiana Wynemer, binding herself to Christiana Westesik to confirm her Charter.*

Omnibus Christi Fidelibus presens scriptum visuris vel audituris Christiana Wynemer, uxor Petri Wynemer, Wygornie, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et etiam obligasse et hac mea presenti carta confirmasse Christiane Westesik et heredibus suis, sive suis assignatis, donum et concessionem meam, prout continetur in carta sua originali, quam eadem Christiana de me habet ad cyrographandum sub custu predicte Christiane, in primo itinere Iusticiariorum domini Regis apud Wygorniam, vel apud Gloverniam vel apud Warwykiam vel Herefordiam vel apud Salopiam. Et si ita contingat me deficere in ista conventione dabo dicte Christiane decem marcas sterlingorum et fabrice matris Ecclesie Wygornie quadraginta solidos. Subiicio etiam me omnia bona mea, mobilia et immobilia, habita et habenda, districtioni ballivorum Wygornie quorumcunque locorum inventa sint infra civitatem Wygornie: subiicio me etiam et districtioni domini Episcopi Wygornie, vel eius officialis, quod possint me de die in diem excommunicare contraquam predicte Christiane pleniter satisfecerim. In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui et fidem meam affidavi. Hiis testibus Iacobo Aubin, Iohanne Dwell, Willelmo Frend, Henrico le Porter, Willelmo de Wynchecombe, Clemente Duraunt, Petro Squibs clerico, et multis aliis. (Seal lost.)—No. 923.

II. *Grant of Chattels to Alice, wife of Walter of Leye, mason.*

Omnibus ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit, Iohannes de Strengesham, mason, salutem in domino. Noveritis me concessisse et vendidisse Alicie, que fuit uxor Walteri de Leye, mason, Omnia bona et catalla existencia in tenemento quod tenet de me ad terminum vite sue et quod fuit predicti Walteri, nuper viri sui, in vico qui vocatur Suthebury in Wygornia, scilicet cameram suam integram, pannos laneos et lineos cifos fercula ac etiam omnia vasa enea arcas coffres et alia minuta camere spectancia ad faciendum cum eisdem bonis et catallis pro libito suo et [ut] melius viderit

expedire sine ullo impedimento mei aut aliorum quorumcunque nomine meo Salvis michi tamen post decessum dicte Alicie vasis braciarie pertinentibus et aliis grossis utensilibus in dicto tenemento existentibus. In cuius rei testimonio sigillum meum presentibus apposui. Datum apud Wygorniam die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Mathei Apostoli Anno regni Regis Edwardi tertii post conquestum quintodecimo.—No. 1561.

III. *Covenant between Prior Senatus and Master Godfrey on the endowment of an Obit for the soul's health of Prior Ralph of Bedford.*

Universis ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit Magister Godefridus de Lintruge salutem: Universitati vestre notum facio me assensu heredum meorum dedisse et in perpetuam elemosinam concessisse pro anima avunculi mei Radulfi Prioris Wigorniensis et mea et animabus antecessorum meorum S[enato] Priori et Conventui Wigorniensi unam virgatam terre ultra Sabrinam iuxta ecclesiam Sancti Iohannis ad anniversarium predicti prioris honorifice faciendum singulis annis in crastino Sancte Marie Magdalene. Prior Wigorniensis de predicta terra dabit singulis annis duodecim denarios ad luminare altaris beate Marie in Vestiario. Hiis testibus; Magistro Rogerio decano Wigorniensi, Adam de Sancto Clemente, Frualdo de Sancto Iohanne, Rogerio de Sancta Maria, Willelmo de Omnibus Sanctis, Willelmo de Cherinthun Constabulario Wigorniensi, Petro filio Fruwing, Amisio, Mairario, Willelmo Rupe, Ricardo camerario Prioris, et Adam fratre eius, Marco iuniore, Ricardo Priche.—No. 1450.

Omnibus fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit S[enatus] Prior totusque Conventus Wigorniensis salutem: Noverit universitas vestra quod nos ad instantiam et petitionem Magistri Godefridi clerici nostri concessimus anime venerabilis Prioris Radulfi anniversarium solempne singulis annis in die obitus sui, sicut solet solempne fieri pro episcopis, Scilicet cum duobus cantoribus ad missam matutinalem in choro, et cum duobus cereis ardentibus ad tumulum eius. Ipse autem predictus Godefridus dedit ecclesie nostre unam virgatam terre que est ultra Sabrinam iuxta ecclesiam Sancti Iohannis; Nos vero faciemus anniversarium predictum honorifice in Conventu et dabimus duodecim denarios ad luminare altaris Sancte Marie in Vestiario. Hoc autem fecit pro anima predicti Prioris avunculi sui et pro anima sua et pro animabus antecessorum suorum in perpetuam elemosinam. Et hoc fecit cum assensu heredum suorum prestito ab eis iuramento in plena curia. Hiis testibus etc. [*ut supra*].—No. 1451.

IV. *Minutes of the Chapter General of the Benedictine Order held at Oxford*, 1252.

Abbas de . . . . excusat se per . . . .

Abbas de Loidelbur' se excusat per monachum Eo quod . . . .

Abbas de Alincestre se excusat per laicum propter synodum episcopi Wygorniensis.

Abbas de Certesey se excusat per monachum propter infirmitatem.

Abbas de Torney se excusat per monachum propter . . . . p dibilitatem.

Abbas Theoke se excusat per monachum propter varia negotia domus sue.

Abbas de Warendon se excusat per monachum propter rotundam tabulam.

Abbas de Burton se excusat per monachum propter infirmitatem.

Abbas de . . . . breston se excusat per clericum propter infirmitatem.

Abbas de Mideltun se excusat per monachum eo quia r. coram episcopo Sarum.

Abbas Sancti Eadmundi se excusat per monachum propter mater lecti [1] pro placito inter ipsum et dominum Comitem Gloucestriensem moto.

Abbas de Hulmo se excusat per monachum propter diversa negotia.

Isti sunt priores se excusantes per procuratores.

Prior Wygorniensis se excusat per monachum eo quod infirmatur et mittet clericum suum ad tradendum gravamen.

Prior Wintonensis se excusat per duos monachos propter varia negotia.

Prior Roucestrensis se excusat per monachum eo quod assistit episcopo suo egrotanti.

Isti sunt Abbates qui non venerunt neque miserunt procuratores.

Abbas de Davistok.

Abbas Cestrie.

Abbas Glastoniensis.

Abbas de Faversham.

Isti sunt priores qui non venerunt neque procuratores miserunt.

Prior Cantuariensis

Prior Minoris Malvernie.

Prior de Suffield.

Prior Sancte Trinitatis Cantuariensis.

Prior de Eya.

Capitulum Oxon. . . . MCCLII Celebratum est capitulum generale die Sancti Mathei Apostoli in Ecclesia de Oseney ita videlicet quod

[1] Possibly this abbreviation stands for 'materie lectionem.

per defectum Abbatum et Priorum ibidem non conveniencium communi assensu Abbatum Priorum et omnium procuratorum provisum est ut omnes abbates et priores proprios abbates non habentes similiter conveniant loco quo prius, die dominica qua cantatur *Letare Ierusalem* sub pena suspencionis celebracionis diuine ad tractandum de diversis negociis universitatem ordinis tangentibus nisi legitimas excusationes valeant pretendere. No. 1610.

V. *Draft of a Letter from the Prior to his Chapter concerning an Episcopal Visitation.*

Salutem et felices ad vota successus. Quia venerabilis pater dominus Wygorniensis Episcopus hac instanti die Mercurii ad nos super correctionem et reformationem si quid compertum fuerit in visitatione sua apud nos et monasterium nostrum nuperime celebrata quod correctione et reformatione dignum fuerit declinare proponit, vobis fide qua nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus, quatenus ad nos hac instanti die Martis tempestive et celeriter saltem hora Vesperarum attendatis super premissis et aliis arduis negociis nostris nobiscum Wygornie tractaturi. Valete.

No. 1611.

VI. *Formal Notification of an appeal to Rome, should the Archbishop of Canterbury render such an appeal necessary, made by Proctor(s) appointed to act for the Prior before Cardinal Ottobon.*

In nomine Domini Amen. Cum ad discretum virum Priorem Wygorniensem suo et sui Capituli nomine iurisdictio officialitatis et administratio spiritualium in Diocesi Wygorniensi sede vacante pertineant, et ad predecessores ipsius prioris qui pro tempore fuerant pertinuerunt ab antiquo, prout usus continuus multorum testimonia et antiqua instrumenta testantur, Ne Venerabilis pater Dei gratia Cantuariensis Archiepiscopus, seu ejus officialis aut eorum vel alicuius eorum commissarius vel executor vel alius ordinarius aut delegatus occasione exercitii iurisdictionis vel administrationis predicte ipsorum Prioris et Capituli Wygorniensis seu alicuius ex eis statum immutet, vel alias procedat indebite contra eos non vocatos non convictos non monitos non confessos, aut sine cause cognitione in eorum preiudicium aliqua statuat vel decernat, seu aliquam ferat sententiam suspensionis, excommunicacionis, interdicti, vel aliam in ipsorum religiosorum possessiones vel loca ecclesiastica monasterium, vel personas, iidem religiosi se et sua protectioni omnipotentis Dei, ac Beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum eius, et Sancte Romane

ecclesie se[1] submittunt Et nos (ego)[2] *Frater W. de Bradweya, Magister Randulphus de Pirie*, Iohannes Magister Carnarie Wygorniensis, eorundem Prioris et Capituli Wygorniensis procurator(*es*) legitime constituti (constitutus) de speciali ipsorum religiosorum mandato, tam litteratorie quam vive vocis oraculo nobis (mihi) facto die Martis proxima post festum Beati Petri in Cathedra, Anno Incarnationis Domini MCCLX°quinto in Ecclesia Beati Petri Wynchecumbie in publico loco consistorii coram iurisperitorum ac testium rogatorum et aliorum fidelium ibidem multitudine congregata ad sacrosanctam sedem apostolicam antedictam et tuitionem venerabilis patris domini Ottoboni Dei gratia Sancti Adriani diaconi Cardinalis apostolice sedis legati, et insuper directe ad eundem legatum pro electione prosequentur in hiis scriptis solempniter, et publice appellamus (appello) et apostolos petimus (peto) si forte aliquis extiterit ex parte Archiepiscopi memorati qui eos nobis (mihi) duxerit concedendos. Et insuper ex habundanti protestamur (protestor) nos (me) huiusmodi apostolos pro loco et tempore petituros (petiturum); offerentes (offerens) efficaciter nos (me) paratos (paratum) ad docendum de iure ac possessione consuetudine et usu dictorum religiosorum quoad ea que serius sunt expressa: vel saltem de aliquo predictorum quatenus videbimus (videbitur) expedire coram iudice competenti. Ad hec appellationes seu provocationes sub simili significatione verborum prius publice interpositas innovamus (innovo) nos (me) ad probatum omnium non artantes (artans) set quatenus (constiterit) de iure ac possessione consuetudine et usu dictorum religiosorum quo ad exercitium iurisdictionis et administrationis predicte in predicta Diocesi sede vacante eatenus optineant iusticie complementum. In premissorum autem testimonium sigilla tunc presentium presentibus sunt appensa, loco et tempore supradictis. Videlicet domini Abbatis Wynchcumbie, Decani Gloucestrie pro se rectoribus et vicariis sui decanatus, Decani Theokesbyrie pro se ac rectoribus et vicariis sui decanatus, Decani de Stowe pro se ac rectoribus et vicariis sui decanatus, Decani de Caumpedene pro se ac rectoribus et vicariis sui decanatus, Magistri P. vicarii de Westonne sub Egge. Ricardi rectoris ecclesie de Heyford, E. vicarii de Trilleye. Huius etiam appellationis publicationi interfuerunt rectores, vicarii, capellani, et multi alii clerici et laici decanatuum predictorum. Et etiam cancellatum *Nos Frater W. de Bradeweye et Randulphus de Pyria* et *ego* interlineari appositum et sermo pluralis correctus in singularem et *constiterit* similiter interlineari appositum ante consignationem.

[1] The word *se* is redundant, and underdotted in MS.

[2] The words here printed in brackets are inserted over the line in the MS. The explanation is given in the last paragraph of the document. For some reason only one of the three proctors originally nominated chose to act.

Sigilla unius abbatis et quatuor decanorum. *On the seal bobbins*, Abbatis de Wynchecumbe—Decani de Gloucestre—Decani de Theokesbyri—Decani de Stowe—Decani de Campeden—Magistri P. Vicarii de Weston sub Egge—Ricardi rectoris ecclesie de Heyford—E. Vicarii de Trilleye.

No. 1612.

VII. *Inspeximus of a letter of Bishop Nicholas required as evidence in a pending suit touching the Prior's rights sede vacante.*

In nomine Domini Amen. Anno eiusdem millesimo ducentesimo sexagesimo sexto secundum cursum ecclesie anglicane, indictione decima, viii Kalendas Martii. Pateat universis quod ego Radulphus de Sancto Dionisio, Apostolice sedis auctoritate notarius publicus, in presencia testium subscriptorum examinavi et diligenter inspexi litteras venerabilis patris Domini N(icholai) Wygorniensis Episcopi de verbo ad verbum nullo addito vel mutato, prout inferius continetur suo sigillo signatas, quarum tenor est talis. (Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit N(icholaus) Dei gratia Episcopus Wygorniensis salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis quod in causis et negotiis super iurisdictionem et administrationem spiritualium in diocesi Wygorniensi sede vacante pro priore et capitulo Wygorniensi motis pariter et movendis, cum illa iurisdictio ad nos specialiter non pertineat, eisdem agendi administrandi et alia sicut sibi expedire viderint faciendi liberam reliquimus facultatem. In cuius rei testimonium presentes litteras fieri fecimus patentes. Datum apud Alvechyrche in festo Epiphanie anno Domini MCCLX°sexto. Actum Londoniis die anno et indictione prenominatis Presentibus domino Ricardo le Ver capellano ecclesie Sancti Dionysii, Radulpho clerico eiusdem ecclesie, Willelmo filio Elye de Bramfeld, et Roberto de Sancto Neoto clerico, testibus ad hoc vocatis et rogatis.

Et ego Radulphus de Sancto Dionisio, apostolice sedis auctoritate notarius publicus, quia predictas litteras vidi et examinavi presens de verbo ad verbum manu propria scripsi nichil addito vel mutato et in publicam formam redegi ac signo meo signavi rogatus. No. 1613.

VIII. *Appointment of Proctors by R., Prior of Worcester.*

Omnibus Sancte Matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presens scriptum per venerit R. prior Wygornie ac eiusdem loci Capitulum salutem in Domino sempiternam. Ad tractandum de pace cum Magistro Willelmo de Rokelaunde qui se dicebat officialem Venerabilis Patris B. Dei gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopi in Diocesi Wygorniensi sede vacante super

iurisdictionem et administrationem spiritualium in Diocesi Wygorniensi sede vacante et insuper ad transigendum et componendum super eiisdem. Quia nos Prior predictus tractationi ac etiam transactioni et compositioni huiusmodi non possumus personaliter interesse dilectos nobis in Christo fratrem Willelmum de Bradeweya, monachum nostri monasterii, ac magistrum Galfridum de Cubreleye clericum et utrumque eorum coniunctim et divisim nostros constituimus procuratores Ratum habituri quod per eos vel eorum alterum procuratum fuerit in hac parte Datum Wygornie die Dominica proxima ante festum Beati Gregorii pape Anno Incarnationis Dominice MCCLXsexto.

Transcriptum de verbo ad verbum manu propria scripsi nullo addito vel mutato et in publicam formam redegi ac signo meo signavi rogatus.

Seal lost.—No. 1614.

IX. *Confirmation and Inspeximus of Archbishop Boniface's Compositions with the Prior by the Prior and Convent of Christ Church.*

In nomine Domini Amen. Hoc est exemplum seu scriptum cuiusdam littere confirmatorie Prioris et Capituli ecclesie Christi Cantuarie, super quadam pacis ordinatione composite inter venerabilem patrem B(onifacium) Dei gratia Cantuariensem Archiepiscopum ex parte una, et religiosos viros Priorem et Capitulum Wygorniensis ecclesie ex altera super iurisdictione et potestate episcopali in civitate et Diocesi Wygorniensi, sede Wygorniensi vacante. Cuius littere tenor noscitur esse talis. Universis presentem litteram visuris vel audituris permissione divina Prior ecclesie Christi Cantuariensis et eiusdem loci Capitulum salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra nos litteram venerabilis patris B(onifacii) Dei gratia Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi inspexisse sub hac forma. Omnibus Sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos pervenerit hec scriptura Bonifacius, miseracione divina Archiepiscopus Cantuariensis, totius Anglie primas, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Inter pacis et discordie, tranquillitatis et desensionis semitas quam diu laboramus in via positi libentur advertimus quam dulce sapiat in pacis pulcritudine delectari quantumque amaritudinis afferat molesta discensio; caritatis homini quam pax nutriverat refrigerium abicit, cogitationes malas immittit, cor impellit et elevat. Ex hoc lites et iurgia suboriri contingit, expense fiunt inutiles, lites ex litibus oriuntur, bona pauperum que presertim ecclesiastici viri multo precio deberent redimere, ut ipsis pauperibus que sua sunt redderent, consumuntur. Hiis igitur animum nostrum pulsantibus cum habentes pre oculis Ihesum Christum, qui ut pacem emeret sanguinem suum fudit, pacem amplectimur, ut ad pacis

vinculum verbo pariter et exemplo diffidencium animos invitemus. Eapropter cum inter nos ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis nomine ex parte una et religiosos viros Priorem et Capitulum Wygorniensis ecclesie ex altera super iurisdictione et potestate episcopali in civitate et Diocesi Wygorniensi sede Wygorniensi vacante mota fuisset materia questionis ac in domini legati presentia dum esset in partibus anglicanis aliquantulum agitata tandemque ad examen Curie Romane usque perducta non absque multis hinc inde laboribus et expensis, demum invitante pacis auctore Domino mediantibus bonis viris et amatoribus unitatis talis inter nos composito intervenit: Videlicet quod quotienscumque et quandocumque sedem Wygorniensem vacare contigerit Prior et Capitulum eiusdem loci vel supprior, mortuo priore vel extra regnum absente, quam primum commode poterunt, vacationem huiusmodi domino Archiepiscopo si in Anglia fuerit, alioquin officiali Curie Cantuariensis litteratorie nunciabunt. Et statim idem dominus Archiepiscopus vel eius officialis sine mora et difficultate quacunque priorem Wygorniensem qui pro tempore fuerit vel eiusdem loci suppriorem, priore mortuo vel extra regnum absente, donec Prior redeat vel creetur et postmodo illum redeuntem vel creatum priorem irrevocabiliter et in solidum officialem suum creabit in civitate et Diocesi Wygorniensi toto tempore vacationis illius quoad cognitionem rerum ad forum episcopale spectancium, institutionem et destitutionem clericorum, electionum, examinationem et confirmationem ac infirmacionem earum dignitatum et beneficiorum liberam collationem auctoritate concilii et alias racionabiliter faciendam custodiarum emendarum ac provenientium perceptionem visitationem correctionem Synodi convocationem et celebrationem, vicinorum episcoporum invitacionem cum canonico cautele studio censuram ecclesiasticam et omnem penitus ordinariam iurisdictionem imperium potestatem episcopalem que sine presentia episcopali poterunt excerceri per dictum priorem aut suppriorem et alios quos sibi in hiis duxerit subrogandos auctoritate curie Cantuariensis plene et integre excercendas. Que omnia et singula ac ea qualitercumque contingentia dictus Prior vel supprior per se et alios auctoritate predicta Wygorniensi sede vacante libere excercebit. Interim autem ab initio vacationis huiusmodi usque ad receptionem specialis commissionis predicte dictus Prior vel supprior per se et alios quos sibi in hiis duxerit subrogandos auctoritate curie Cantuariensis ex virtute presentis compositionis, ne civitas et diocesis Wygorniensis iudicis presencia careant, premissa omnia et que contingere poterunt, libere integre et plenarie excercebit, proventuum ac emolumentorum omnium (exceptis procurationibus quas in esculentis et potulentis percipiet) tertia parte sibi pro laboribus et expensis retenta, domino Archiepiscopo Cantuariensi qui pro tempore fuerit administrationis seu per se vel per alium reddita ratione fideliter restituet duas

partes. Nos igitur compositionem huiusmodi ratam et gratam habentes eam pro nobis et successoribus nostris imperpetuum bona fide promittimus observare et contra eam per nos vel per alium nullo modo venire. In cuius rei testimonium et perpetuam firmitatem sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum. Datum apud Tenham die Sabati proxima post festum Sancti Iacobi Apostoli, Anno Gracie M° ducentesimo sexagesimo octavo. Nos autem dictam compositionem sicut rite et rationabiliter facta est confirmamus salvo iure Capituli nostri sede Cantuariensi vacante, videlicet quod si contingat sedes Cantuariensem et Wygorniensem simul vacare Prior et Capitulum Cantuarienses vel eorum officialis eandem habeant potestatem in premissis in hiis que iurisdictionis sunt quam haberet Archiepiscopus plena sede. In cuius rei testimonium ac memoriam ac conservacionem iuris ecclesiarum Cantuariensis et etiam Wygorniensis predictorum Capitulorum sigilla huic scripto in modum confecto cirographi sunt appensa. Datum mense Octobris Anno Domini M° ducentesimo septuagesimo quinto.

No. 1617.

X. *Transcript of letters of William, Archdeacon of Arréou, to the Prior of Worcester.*

In nomine Domini Amen. Hoc est transcriptum sive sumptum cuiusdam littere vero sigillo reverendi viri Magistri Gwillelmi Testa, administratoris archiepiscopatus Cantuariensis a sede Apostolica deputati cera rubia pendente sigillate non cancellate nec abolite nec in aliqua sui parte viciate die Lune proxima post festum beati Kalixti pape proxime preterito in ecclesia Cathedrali Wygorniensi in pleno consistorio exhibite et publicate, cujus tenor talis est. Gwillelmus Testa archidiaconus Aravensis [1] in ecclesia Convenarum, administrator archiepiscopatus Cantuariensis a sede Apostolica deputatus religioso viro Priori ecclesie Cathedralis Wygorniensis salutem in Domino. Durante vacatione sedis episcopalis Wygorniensis iam pridem per mortem bone memorie Fratris Willelmi de Geynesburh pastoris solatio destitute, que per denunciationem vestram et Capituli vestri Wygorniensis nobis plenius innotescit; vos officium nostrum in civitate et Diocesi Wygorniensibus (secundum formam et effectum compositionis dudum habite inter felicis recordationis dominum Bonifacium quondam Archiepiscopum Cantuariensem ex parte una et vos ac Capitulum vestrum ex altera) ad exercendum tempore vacationis predicte ibidem omnem iurisdictionem et potestatem episcopalem in eadem compositione contentam creamus et preficimus per presentes In testimonio vero premissorum sigillum nostrum

[1] Of Arréou in the Diocese of Comminges, or (?) of the Val d'Aran in the same.

presentibus est appensum. Datum Londoniis septimo Idus Octobris Anno Domini Millesimo tricentesimo septimo.

(With notarial attestation.)—No. 1623.

XI. *Letter from Richard Poywyke to the Abbot of Pershore.*

Reverendo in Christo patri Domino Thome, permissione divina abbati monasterii de Pereschore, ordinis Sancti Benedicti, Diocesis Wygorniensis, executori unico ad infrascripta a sede Apostolica legitime deputato, suus humilis et devotus Richardus Poywyke dicte Diocesis capellanus obedientiam cum omni reverentia et honore. Mandatum vestrum reverendum penultimo die mensis Septembris ultime elapso recepi, tenorem de verbo ad verbum continens infrascriptum. Thomas, permissione divina Abbas monasterii de Perschore, Ordinis Sancti Benedicti, Wygorniensis Diocesis, executor unicus ad infrascripta a sede Apostolica legitime deputatus, Discretis viris, Domino Ricardo Poywyke, capellano, ac Iacobo de Colewelle et Willelmo Cockes, clericis, dicte Wygorniensis Diocesis, salutem in Domino, et mandatis nostris ymmo verius apostolicis firmiter obedire. Litteras Sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri, domini Innocentii, divina providentia Pape septimi, ipsius vero bulla plumbea more romane curie bullatas, non rasas, non abolitas, non cancellatas, non viciatas, nec in aliqua sui parte suspectas, set sanas et integras omnique vitio et suspicione sinistra carentes nobis pro parte venerabilium et religiosorum virorum, Prioris et Capituli maioris ecclesie Wygornie, Ordinis antedicti, presentatas nos cum ea que decuit reverentia, nuper recepimus, tenorem de verbo ad verbum qui sequitur continentes. Innocentius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilecto filio abbati monasterii de Perschore Wygorniensis Diocesis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Justis et honestis supplicum votis libenter annuimus illaque favoribus prosequimur oportunis. Exhibita siquidem nobis nuper pro parte dilectorum filiorum Prioris et Capituli maioris ecclesie Wygornie, Ordinis Sancti Benedicti, peticio continebat quod licet de antiqua ac approbata ac honesta et laudabili consuetudine etiam a tempore cuius contrarii memoria non existit observatum fuerit quod post sonum campane in eadem ecclesia singulis diebus serotenus factum, qui quidem sonus ignitegium vulgariter noncupatur, et etiam de mane ante quam pro primis decantandis in eadem pulsetur, a quoquam in aliis ecclesiis vel capellis civitatis Wygornie non potuerit seu debuerit campana pulsari, tamen nonnulli huiusmodi consuetudinis temerarii contemptores a nonnullis annis proxime elapsis etiam in eisdem aliis ecclesiis et capellis de sero post huiusmodi pulsum campane que ignitegium, ut premittitur, appellatur, et etiam de mane antequam in dicta maiori ecclesia pro huiusmodi primis decantandis inibi fuerit pulsatum,

diebus ipsis diversos campanarum sonitus facere sive campanas eorum pulsare, sicque dictam consuetudinem interrumpere licet de facto presumunt, in non modicum disturbium et gravamen eorundem Prioris et Capituli ac aliorum religiosorum divinis obsequiis in eadem maiori ecclesia mancipatorum, illorum presertim qui iuxta dicti ordinis regularis instituta in ipsa maiori ecclesia matutinis oracionibus ac eisdem obsequiis nocturnis interesse pro tempore sunt astricti. Quare pro parte predictorum Prioris et Capituli nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum ut super hoc eis opportune providere de benignitate apostolica dignaremur. Nos igitur huiusmodi supplicationibus inclinati discretioni tue per apostolica scripta mandamus quatinus, si est ita, predictam consuetudinem non obstante interruptione predicta sub excommunicationis et aliis convenientibus censuris ecclesiasticis, de quibus tibi videbitur, auctoritate nostra facias observari, contradictores per censuram ecclesiasticam appellatione postposita compescendo, non obstante si aliquibus communiter vel divisim a sede apostolica sit indultum quod interdici suspendi vel excommunicari non possint per litteras apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam de verbo ad verbum de indulto huiusmodi mentionem. Datum Viterbii Kalendis Februarii pontificatus nostri anno secundo. Post quarum quidem litterarum apostolicarum presentationem et receptionem earundem nobis pro parte dictorum Prioris et Capituli extitit cum instancia humiliter supplicatum quatinus ad executionem debitam predictarum litterarum apostolicarum ac omnium et singulorum contentorum in eisdem procedere curaremus. Nos igitur volentes et affectantes mandatis apostolicis in omnibus obedire ac quantum cum deo possumus unicuique facere iusticie complementum, vobis coniunctim et cuilibet vestrum divisim et per se auctoritatem apostolicam qua fungimur in hac parte committimus et mandamus, firmiter iniungentes quatinus citetis citari faciatis, citet seu citari faciat unus vestrum, peremptorie omnes et singulos ecclesiarum seu capellarum dicte civitatis rectores, vicarios, capellanos, curatos, et clericos aquebaiulos earundem et alios quoscunque contradictores et rebelles quos hoc presens tangit negotium seu quomodolibet tangere poterit in futuro, quod compareant et quilibet eorum compareat legitime coram nobis in ecclesia Sancti Petri maioris Wygornie septimo die mensis Octobris proximo iam futuro si iuridicus fuerit, alioquin proximo die iuridico extunc sequente causam racionabilem et canonicam, si quam habeant, quare ad executionem debitam dictarum litterarum apostolicarum et omnium et singulorum contentorum in eisdem per vos procedi non debeat et ad observationem consuetudinis supradicte canonice compelli non debeant in forma iuris proposituri allegaturi ulteriusque facturi et recepturi in omnibus et per omnia quod qualitas et natura huiusmodi negotii exigunt et requirunt et quod dictaverint iuris ordo et canonice sanctiones. De die vero receptionis presentium modoque et

forma citationis, qualitatibus nominibus et cognominibus per vos in hac parte citatorum qualiterque hoc presens mandatum fuerit executum distincte et aperte nos die et loco predictis certificetis per vestras, seu sic certificet ille vestrum qui hoc presens mandatum fuerit executus, per suas patentes litteras harum seriem continentes aliquo sigillo autentico consignatas. Datum sub sigillo nostro in monasterio nostro supradicto xviii die mensis Augusti anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo sexto. Cuius quidem auctoritate mandati vestri reverendi dominos Iohannem Bele Rectorem ecclesie Sancte Elene dicte civitatis Wygornie ac Willelmum Sterlyng clericum aquebaiulum eiusdem ecclesie, Iohannem Burgeys Rectorem ecclesie Sancti Swithuni dicte civitatis et Iohannem Swippedew clericum aquebaiulum eiusdem ecclesie, Iohannem Iudde Rectorem ecclesie Omnium Sanctorum predicte civitatis necnon Thomam Wheler vicarium perpetuum ecclesie Sancti Petri maioris civitatis antedicte et Willelmum Battenhale clericum aquebaiulum ipsius ecclesie, et David presbyterum parochialem ecclesie Sancti Nicolai dicte, civitatis et clericum aquebaiulum eiusdem et (*blank*) presbiterum parochialem Sancti Andree civitatis predicte, (*blank*) clericum aquebaiulum eiusdem ecclesie personaliter apprehensos peremptorie citavi, quod compareant et quilibet eorum compareat coram nobis die et loco in dicto mandato vestro reverendo plenius designatis propositurі et allegaturi ulteriusque facturi et recepturi in omnibus et per omnia quod tenor et effectus ipsius mandati vestri et qualitas ac natura huiusmodi negotii exigant et requirunt et quod dictaverint iuris ordo et canonice sanctiones. Et sic mandatum vestrum reverendum sum quatenus potui reverentur executus. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum Decani Christianitatis civitatis Wygornie presentibus apponi procuravi. Et nos Decanus antedictus ad specialem rogatum prefati Domini Ricardi sigillum officii nostri presentibus apposuimus. Datum Wygornie sexto die mensis Octobris anno Domini supradicto. Reliquos vero dicte civitatis ecclesiarum curatos et clericos aquebaiulos non citatos diligenter quesivi et ipsos invenire non potui. (Seal lost.)—No. 957.

XII. *Grant of the Advowson of the Charnel House by Bishop Henry Wakefield to the Prior.*

Omnibus ad quos presens littera pervenerit. Henricus, permissione divina Wygorniensis episcopus salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis quod cum excellentissimus Rex noster Ricardus, Rex Anglie et Francie et Dominus Hibernie per litteras suas patentes pro se et heredibus suis concesserit et licentiam dederit nobis, quod advocationem Cantarie capelle, vocate *le Charnelle*, que est situata in cemeterio ecclesie Cathedralis nostre Wygorniensis inter eandem ecclesiam et aulam nostram in placea nostra

ibidem dare possimus et assignare dilectis nobis Priori et Conventui ecclesie Cathedralis nostre predicte Habendam et tenendam sibi et successoribus inperpetuum et eisdem Priori et Conventui quod ipsam per advocationem predictam a nobis recipere et eandem advocationem habere sibi et successoribus suis inperpetuum possint Noveritis nos dedisse et concessisse dictis Priori et Conventui et successoribus suis advocationem Cantarie Capelle predicte ad opus officii Sacristarie ecclesie nostre prefati Habendam et tenendam sibi et successoribus inperpetuum iuxta formam vim et effectum litterarum domini Regis nostri predicti predictarum. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus apposuimus. Datum apud Hartlebury vicesimo die Septembris Anno Domini Milesimo ccc^{mo} lxxx^{o}.

Seal lost.

XIII. *Extract from the Deed setting out the Bounds of the Sanctuary.*

Quod fines et limites dicti cemeterii et sanctuarii incipiendo et computando a magno ostio dicte ecclesie nostre Cathedralis, iuxta Carnariam vulgariter dictam *Charnelhows* habentur limitantur extenduntur et progrediuntur per magnum murum lapideum palacii nostri ibidem usque ad magnam portam ejusdem palacii et ab illa magna porta usque domum in qua Iohannes Smyth modo inhabitat iam vocatam *IohanniSmethishows* diuidendo dictum cemeterium sive Sanctuarium ecclesie nostre predicte ab alia via regia vocata Lychestrete dicte civitatis nostre Wygorniensis et includendo omnia edificia et domos a dicta magna porta usque in et ad dictam domum prefati Iohannis Smyth ipsam, que domus in dicto Sanctuario ad dictam stratam regiam sita et edificata [est] ac insuper et deinde huiusmodi fines et limites se extendunt et progrediuntur a predicta domo prefati Iohannis Smyth usque in et ad angulum vocatum *Stodemerysknolle*[1] diuidendo regiam viam sive stratam vocatam *Sudburystrete* a cemeterio sive Sanctuario predicto includendo omnia edificia et domos iuxta dictam viam regiam in eodem cemeterio seu sanctuario a domo dicti Iohannis Smyth usque ad angulum predictum situatum[2] (tribus edificiis sive domibus parochie Sancti Petri, civitatis nostre predicte sic dumtaxat exceptis); ac exinde et ab angulo vocato *Stodemerysknolle*, usque ad magnam portam prioratus ecclesie nostre Cathedralis memorate diuidendo regiam viam sive stratam vocatam *Sudburystrete* a cemeterio seu sanctuario predicto et includendo omnia edificia ac

[1] The exact meaning of this name is doubtful, but Stut-Maer is a possible name. As it stands it is the genitive case of a personal name spelt Stodemer or Stodemar, a name which in Saxon must have ended in mōēr, as Ayl-mer, A.-S. Æthel-mōēr.

[2] *Sic*, for *situata*.

domos a dicto angulo usque ad prefatam portam dicti prioratus in predicto sanctuario situata, qui etiam limites a dicta porta prioratus memorati se extundunt et progrediuntur per ymbricem vulgariter dictum *a Channell* iuxta murum gardini prioratus ecclesie nostre Cathedralis antedicte usque ad quemdam magnum murum lapideum iuxta aquam Sabrine situatum et per ipsum murum includendo omnia edificia, domos, gardinos, et alia loca infra dictum *Channell* versus dictam ecclesiam nostram Cathedralem situata: et ultra extendunt se fines predicti per dictum murum lapideum in Sabrina situatum qui quidum murus est in ea parte limes usque ad alium murum lapideum qui extendit se a dicta Sabrina ad capellam Carnarie inclusive et ultra illam capellam ad magnum hostium ecclesie nostre Cathedralis antedicte superius specificatum diuidendo palacium murum predictum a Cemeterio seu Sanctuario Ecclesie nostre Cathedralis supradicte.—No. 1648.

XIV. *Letter of Prior Wolestan.*

A soun trechier amy et bien ame compaignoun si li pleist Sire Richard de Wyrecestre, chapelein nostre seignour le Roy, le soen frere Wolestan priour de Wyrecestre, salutz oue quei qe il seit de bien et de honur. Chier Sire entenduwe vostre lettre de priere pur le soiourn de vn polain nous afforsames de faire vostre priere mekes ele ust este plus graunte mes pur ceo nostre Evesque visita nadgeres nostre mesun (laquele visitation vnqore peend) et il troua que nostre dite mesun fust si grauntement endette del temps nostre predecessour et qele fust charge outre mesure de soioernauns et liveresons et si nous ussoms vostre priere graunte mekes ele seit petite nous dotames qe acuns de nos freres qe sount de diverse manere freent entendre au dist Euesque qe nous usums charge la mesun mekes charge ne fust pendaunt sa visitacioun et si porreoms auer lui un grant respres et ceo vous ne vodriez pas cum nous entendoms. Par quel, sire, vous prioms pur auncienne companie et acointaunce, qe vous nous voilez aver excuse a ceste fait et autrefait nous montroms nostre volente et quele est bone vers vous issi cumbeen sumes tenuz issi qe vous tendrez le . . . oue leide Dieu. A Dieu qe vous gard qe vostre estat sauve et encrece vostre honour en bien. (On the dorse of 1051.)

XV. *Letter of Thomas lord of Berkeley to his tenants at Batenhale transferring their allegiance and services to Henry le Carter and his brother Thomas.*

Thomas de Berkelee, seignour de Berkelee, chiualer, a touz ses tenantz de Batenhale auxi bien a francs come neifs salutz: Par ceo que iai done

et graunte a mes chers et bien amez Henri le Cartere, citisein de Wircestre, et a Thomas son frere, touz mes terres et tenementz que ieo avoi en Batenhale et auxinc tous mes bondes oue touz lour sieutes oue touz lour biens et chateux serviz et coustumes de mesmes ceuax[1]. Ensemblement oue touz les rentes et servises de touz mes francs tenantz ileoques oue la reversion de touz les terres et tenementz que de moi tenistes, si come pleinement est continue en la chartre qui de ceo lour est faite, Par quei ieo prie a touz mes francs tenantz et comande[2] a touz mes bondes que a les auantditz Henri et Thomas soiez entendantz et respondantz en les choses auantdites. A Dieu. Escripst a Berkelee le lundy en le demayn de Seint Mathew lan del regne le Roi Edward tiers puis le Conquest vinte secunde Et de son regne de France neufime.—No. 1446.

XVI. *Letter of Edward III. to the Abbot of Evesham, the Prior of Worcester, and Sir John atte Wode, Knight of the Shire, to hasten the collection of an aid.* A.D. 1370.

Edward par la grace de Dieu Roy Dengleterre et de France et Seignour Dirlande a noz chers en Dieu labbe de Euesham le priour de Wircestre et notre cher et foial Johan atte Wode saluz. Porce que a cause de noz tresgrosses et treschargeantes busoignes touchantes la necessaire defense, sibien de Seinte Eglise come de nostre roialme Dengleterre et aussi noz guerres par dela pur le recouerir de nostre droit et aussi la salvacion del estat de nous et de nostre dit roialme ; les queles busoignes demandent tresgrande et hastive effusion de despenses, les queles ne purront estre levez des issues et revenues de nostre dit roialme si hastivement come il busoignerait, si sumes mys en si grande necessite de deniers que parentre cy et la feste de la Translacion Seint Thomas procheyn venant il nous covient estre cheniz dune certaine grande somme, ou autrement encurrer tiel deshonour et si grant damage a nous et a tout nostre dit roialme, que Dieu defende, que ce serroit sanz recouerir; et si est ordenez par avys de nostre conseil pur le mieulz en descharge de noz poures communes de mesme nostre roialme, que nous soiens cheniz hastivement de mesme la somme dapprest, sibien de gentz de Seinte Eglise come dautres persones seculers et lays de nostre dit roialme puissantz de nous eider en cez cas ; par quoi nous volons et vous prions cherement enchargeant sur la foy que vous nous devez, que tantost veues cestes facez venir devant vous aucuns des plus sages gents du contee de Wircestre, qui ont plus de conissance de lestat de mesme le contee, et vous avisez par mesmes les gents et enformez sibien des homes de Seinte

[1] ? ceulx. [2] MS. *comanke.*

Eglise regulers et seculers come des autres persones lays du contee avantdit, et elisantz de eux sys homes de Seinte Eglise regulers et seculers et sys autres persones lays, les plus riches et plus suffissantz, et ovesque chescun de mesmes les dousze persones ensi esleuz veullez treter de nostre part sur la dite matere fesantz tant que nous soions cheniz . . . . . dapprest de sys centz marcs, cestassavoir de chescun de les dits dousze persones de cynquante marcs, ou au meins mettant un au plus et un autre au meins, et adioustant, si mestier est, entre le dit nombre de dousze persones et autres persones suffissantz du contee avantdit, dune condicion et dautre, a la contribucion de les sys cent marcs avantdites sylonc vos discretions, sique nous soions cheniz dycelles et les cous entierement a Westmonster le Venredy prochein avant la dite Translacion sans nulle desfaute pur la cause susdite, Nous certifiant desouz vos sealx deins les dys iours procheins apres la recepcion de cestes nostres lettres des nouns de tous ceux des queux vous nous ferrez tiele chevance et combien de somme chescun de eux nous apprestera. La quele certificacion par nous eue si ferrons a toute haste ennoter un des noz pur recevire a nostre ceps les sys cents marcs avantdites, et pur liverer a chescuny une taille de son assignement ou lettre patente desouz nostre grant seal de recevire de nous son paiement a certein iour convenable de la somme ensi a nous par lui apprestee sanz nulle defaute, et lui saverons par tant molt especialment bon gree. Et ce en nulle manere ne lessez come vous desirez nostre honour et estat garder et la salvacion de nostre roialme avantdit. Donne souz nostre prive seal a Westmonster le xvii iour de Juyn a lan de nostre regne Dengleterre quarante quart et de France trente prime.

Seal. Quarterly, France ancient and England crowned within a foliated circle; lower quarters of shield broken away.—No. 1645.

XVII. List of Worcester Streets named in the Documents with their modern equivalents.

Baxsterstrete, Backester Strete, Baker Street, now The Shambles.
Baudeby Strete not in Worcester.
Bailly, The Inner Ward of the Castle.
Barbone.
Barr, the and Barregate, Tiebridge Street.
Bishop's Strete, now Palace Yard.
Brid Port and Britte Port Strete, now Bird Port.
Bocherestret— ? Part of High Street used by the Butchers.
Broad Street, The Broad Place, lata platea, Latus Vicus, Broad Street. (Wrongly assigned on page 36.)

Cadefer Street, Lich Street.
Casteldychelane, Severn Street, also Castle Ditch.
Cemetery Stairs, at top of High Street.
College Gate, now Edgar Tower.
Cookynstrete, Cokestrete, now Copenhagen Street.
Cornchepyngstrete, now Queen Street. (Wrongly assigned on p. 36.)
Corviser's Lane or Strete, now Fish Strete.
Cripplegate or Crepulgate Strete, Tiebridge Strete or Turkey.
Cutthrotte Lane in St. Clement's [1].
Dolday.
Duddeleye, now Digglis.
Eport or Eportstrete, now Newport.
Forest Strete, Foregate Strete.
Frerenstrete, now Friar Street.
Frog Lane, now Severn Street.
Gaol Lane, now St. Nicholas Street (part).
Garden Alley, now Wylde's Lane.
Garden Market, now St. Nicholas Street (part).
Glovers Strete, Vicus Cyrothecariorum, now New Street.
Golde Cros, now The Cross.
Goose Street, now St. Swithin's Street.
Goosethrottle Street, now St. Swithin's Street.
Greyfryersstrete, now Friars Street.
High Street, Vicus Altus, Alta platea, or Altum Pavimentum, now High Street.
Hultonstrete, now Hilton Road, formerly Inkle Street.
Huxstere Strete, now Little Fish Street.
Keyenstrete and Keinestrete, now Key Street.
La Beche.
La Knoll, now Edgar Street, formerly High Timber Street.
La Siche.
Lichstrete.
Losemore, now Lowesmoor.
Lydgate.
Meal Chepynge.
Merhe Street, now St. Swithin's Gate.
Neldare Strete or Needler Street, now Pump Lane.
Northditch, now The Butts.
Northgate Street, now Foregate Street.

[1] There was another lane of this name in St. Martin's parish.

Palysgate, Palace Gate.
Portway, ? Portfields.
Powick Lane, now Bank Street.
Prichecroft.
Pullesditch.
Rother Chepynge, now Broad Street.
Saint Albone's Street, now Fish Street.
Saint Mary's Street, now Warmistreyslip.
Saint Mary's Stairs, now St. Mary's Steps.
Saint Mary's Gate, now Edgar Tower, or the great tower.
Saltway, now Castle Street.
Sanctuary, The Precincts, &c.
Sawnson's Stile, now Sansom Street.
Scade Welle, now Holy Well.
Shipmonneslane.
Shirereveslane. Perhaps Castle Lane, now Castle Place.
Staunbroc.
Sterte Street.
Studemars Knoll, now Edgar Street.
Sudlerystret, Sudbury, &c., now Sidbury.
Way to the Bromyards, Bromyard Road.
Way to the Water Wharfe, Warmistreyslip.
Wodestathstret, Wodestarestret. Perhaps Grope Lane.
Wullenhale or Wynhalestret (on the right bank of the Severn).

XVIII. List of Provosts and Bailiffs of Worcester, to the Year 1450.

This list is compiled in part from the series of deeds dealt with in the present volume, but other sources have been utilized, viz. The *Registrum Prioratus* and MS. A. xiv., both in possession of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester. Also by kind permission of the Vicar and Churchwardens of St. Swithin's, the fine series of early deeds in their possession.

The numbers after the names refer to the Charters described in the book.

Provosts.

Ordericus, 1138. Cotton Charter, xi. 51.

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Richard I.

Walter the Merchant and Alured called Ydwin, 1320.
Oslach and Richard, 1371.
Oslach the younger and Thomas Sebrond (Reg. Pr. f. 53).
William Roculf and Simon le Belyetere, 1540.
Peter, son of Peter, and Richard Judaeus (Reg. Pr. f. 56).
Adam, son of Philip, and William Sebrond (Reg. Pr. f. 55 d)
Adam, son of Peter, and Roger of Oxford, 1372.
Adam, son of Peter, and Geoffrey Pete, 1091.
Adam, son of Peter, and Alexander Foxwhelp, 1088.
Peter, son of Peter, and William Colle, 1112a.
Adam, son of Peter, and Alexander Edwyne, 912.
Philip Foulk and William Roculf, 1413.
James Aubin and John of Estleye, 1187.
John of Estleye and John, son of Osbert, 1134.
John, son of Alexander, and Roger of Pershore, 930.
Robert Neel and Robert of St. Godwald, 1014.
Alured Draper and William of Pidele, 1015.
William Sebrond and Simon de fonte, 1374.
William Sebrond and John Pergamenarius, 997.
Ralph Folage and Richard Blund (Reg. Pr. f. 52).
Walter Lemery and Peter Peet, 1129.
Richard the Clerk and John Franceys (Reg. Pr. 1. f. 52).
Adam of Wick and Richard de la More (Reg. Pr. 1. 56 d).
Richard the Clerk and William le Franceys (Reg. Pr. 1. 58).

Bailiffs after 1232.

Walter le Enneyse and John of Picheseys, 1092.
Walter le Enneyse and Walter Roculf, 1130.
Walter of Dorley and John, son of Osbert (or Osbern), 998.
John of Esteleye and John Cumin, 1357.
Adam of Kynvan and Richard atte Mere, 1028.
Adam of Kynvare and John le Caretter, 1028.
Simon Gros and Richard of Creesul, 1347.
Henry Coyntrel and Robert of Poywick, 1026.
Henry Coyntrel and Walter of Dorley, 991.
Henry Coyntrel and Peter Peet, 1128.
Henry Coyntrel and Wulstan of Salop, 1131.
James Aubyn or Albin and Robert Batayl, 985.
John of Estleye and John Cumin, 1045.

John of Estleye and Henry of Aston, 1096.
John Osbern and John Comyn, 984.
William Roculf and Walter le Enneyse, 1216.
John, son of Osbert, and Walter Colle, 1132.
William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, 940.
Pain Burgeys and John Cumin, 990.
Pain Burgeys and John of Esteleye, 1373.
Pain Burgeys and Walter of Dorleye, 1427.
Pain Burgeys and Henry Coyntrel, 999.
Pain Burgeys and William the Disshere, 988.
John Alexander and William the Disshere, 1089.
William Colle and Stephen le Loksmith, 1002.
William Roculf and John Cradan, 1534.

Henry III.

1249-50. Philip Cointrel and John Cradan, 1074.

Edward I.

1272-73. William Roculf and John Loni, 1236.
1279-80. John of Estleye and John, son of Osbert, 1042.
1293-94. William Colle and Wulstan of Salop, 1075.
1295-96. John the Carter and . . . ., 1221.
1296-97. William Roculf and Walter Coyntrel, 993.
1298-99. William Roculf and Richard of Ledburye, 1049.
1300-01. Richard le Belyeter and Stephen le Loksmith, 1136.
1301-02. William Colle and Stephen le Loksmith, 1002.
1302-03. Richard Coles and Adam atte Pirye, 1050.
1303-04. Richard Colys and Richard of Evesham, 1031.
1304-05. Richard Colys and Richard of Ledburie, 1428.
1305-06. William Colle and Stephen le Loksmith, 1030.
1306-07. William Colle and John Lony, 1225.

Edward II.

1307-08. William of Martley and Adam of Predyt, 1100.
1308-09. Thomas de Bransford and Robert of Hinnulton, 943.
1309-10. William Roculf and John Lony, 1080.
1310-11. William Roculf and Adam of Pyrie, 1189.
1311-12. William Roculf, Junior, and William of Hodynton, 1190.

1312-13. Richard le Belyeter and John Lony, 1388.
1313-14. John of Hornyngwold and Adam of Pyrie (St. Swithin's Deeds).
1314-15. William Roculf and Henry of Stodley, 1341.
1314-15. William of Stouwa and Robert Loni (MS. A. xiv. f. 89).
1315-16. William of Stouwa and Thomas Gros, 1556.
1316-17. William of Martleye and Adam of Pidele, 1558.
1317-18. William of Martleye and Adam of Pidele, 1114.
1318-19. William Roculf, Junior, and William of Hodynton, 1233.
1319-20. William Roculf and Thomas le Taillur, 1283.
1320-21. Simon Gros and Geoffrey le Mercer, 1001.
1322-23. John le Mercer and Richard Adams, 1081.
1322-23. Walter le Mercer and Richard of Tettebury (St. Swithin's Deeds).
1313-24. William le Caretere and Richard Gybbesone or Gelbersone, 1140.
1324-25. Henry le Waleys and John of Dene.
1325-26. William le Carter and Ralph Tolwardyn, 1032.
1326-27. Robert of Sevenhampton and Peter of Radestone, 1082.

Edward III.

1327-28. . . . .
1328-29. William le Caretter and . . . ., 947.
1329-30. William Roculf and Henry of Pechesleye, 1205.
1330-31. Peter de Cruce and Henry Goseye, 1003.
1331-32. John Lony and Thomas . . . ., 1033.
1332-33. William Roculf and John de Redyng, 1053.
1333-34. William Roculf and John the Goldbeter (St. Swithin's Deeds).
1334-35. Simon Gros and Richard the Chaundler, 1661.
1335-36. William Pitchiswike and Adam of Feckenham, 1055.
1336-37. William Roculf and William the Caretter, 1004.
1337-38. William Roculf and Richard Macias, 1115.
1338-39. Walter of Wenlok and Walter of Wotton, 1034.
1339-40. John Gorwy and Roger Gnawbone, 1349.
1340-41. William Roculf and Henry of Malverne, 1560.
1341-42. William of Pedleswik and Bernard of Staunford, 1563.
1342-43. William of Pedleswich and John de Pendok (St. Swithin).
1343-44. John Lony and Thomas Sheremon, 1144.
1344-45. Thomas of Tolwardyne and Robert Baret (St. Swithin).
1345-46. Walter of Hayles and John Lony (1565).
1346-47. William le Carter and John le Belyetare, 1245.
1347-48. John Spelly and John Deye, 1194.

1348-49. Simon Gros and Henry of Hertulbury, 1567.
1349-50.[1] Simon Gros and Roger de Walton, 1568, or Roger le Taverner, 1246.
1350-51. Simon Gros and Thomas le Tyncker, 1149.
1351-52. John Spelly and Philip Bartelot, 1054.
1352-53. . . . .
1353-54. . . . .
1354-55. John Spelly and John le Dyare, 1195.
1355-56. Thomas of Tolwardyne and Thomas Montgomery, 1151.
1356-57. Thomas of Tolwardyne and John le Deyzer, 1421.
1357-58. Thomas of Clyfton and William Cayn (St. Swithin).
1358-59. Thomas of Tolwardyne and Robert Baret, 1325a.
1359-60. Richard Lorbagge and Richard atte Mere, 1027.
1360-61. Thomas of Tolwardyne and Hugh le Fournour, 951.
1361-62. Simon Poche and Richard atte Mere, 1572.
1362-63. John Taylor and John Macias, 1056.
1363-64. Philip of Kyngton and John of Leomynstre, 1307.
1364-65. John Taylor and John Macias, 1056.
1365-66. Thomas of Cleftone and Thomas Broun, 1330.
1366-67. . . . .
1367-68. . . . .
1368-69. Thomas of Lechfield and Hugh Clerk, 1603a.
1369-70. Thomas of Chyrtone and John Schepeleye, 1376.
1370-71. Thomas of Tolwardyne and John of Alcestre, 1145.
1371-72. John Bicodoune and Richard Gascoyne, 1621a.
1372-73. Robert Baret and William Bayard, 1564.
1573-74. . . . .
1374-75. Richard Cowarne and Nicolas the Dyer, 1057.
1375-76. William Barbour and . . . . (St. Swithin).
1376-77 . . . .

RICHARD II.

1377-78. Richard Norton and John Hareford, 1603a.
1378-79. . . . .
1379-80. . . . .
1380-81. Nicolas Dymares and John Camalisse (St. Swithin).
1381-82. Thomas Lychefeld and Walter Hayle, 1151a.
1382-83. . . . .
1383-84. Thomas Lychefeld and William Pycard, 1251.

[1] John Beleyetare also occurs 1278.

1384-85. . . . .
1385-86. Richard of Mazemore and John Bredon, 1299.
1386-87. . . . .
1387-88. Thomas of Lychfeld and Hugh Stevenes (St. Swithin).
1388-89. John Widm and William Boyhton, 1254.
1389-90. Richard Cowarne and John Sudeleye, 1283.
1390-91. John Hereford and Richard Deystare (St. Swithin).
1391-92. . . . .
1392-93. Robert Stevenes and Hugh Oldbury, 1058.
1393-94. . . . .
1394-95. . . . .
1395-96. John Conper and Richard Halle, 1057.
1396-97. Robert Stevenes and Thomas Stabold (A. xiv., f. 92).
1397-98. John Bredone and Thomas Beore (A. xiv., f. 96).
1398-99. . . . .
1399-1400. John Bicodonne and Richard Gascoigne, 1603a.
1400-01. . . . .
1401-02. John Bredon and William Mere, 1665.
1402-03. John Wode and Ralph Merston, 1153.
1403-04. . . . .
1404-05. William Pygon and . . . . (St. Swithin).
1405-06. Thomas Colne and Thomas George, 1118.
1406-07. John Bredon and John Lodelowe (St. Swithin).
1407-08. Thomas Belne and William Pygon, 958.
1408-09. John Broun and Reginald Barbour (St. Swithin).
1409-10. John Weston and William Boughton, 1254.
1410-11. William Pygon and Hugh Hostyler, 1155.
1411-12. John Bredon and Reginald Barbour (St. Swithin).
1412-13. . . . .

Henry V.

1413-14. Richard Noxon and John Frewyn, 1102.
1414-15. Thomas Belne and Reginald Barbour, 1255.
1415-16. Richard Norton and John Frewyn, 1102.
1416-17. John Wode and Ralph Merston, 1153.
1417-18. . . . .
1418-19. . . . .
1419-20. . . . .
1420-21. . . . .
1421-22. . . . .

HENRY VI.

1422-23. Geoffrey Frere and Thomas Rumpney (St. Swithin).
1423-24. . . . .
1424-25. . . . .
1425-26. . . . .
1426-27. Geoffrey Frere and William Myle (St. Swithin).
1427-28. Richard Oseney and William Warde (A. xiv., f. 92).
1428-29. Richard Oseney and William Boughton (St. Swithin).
1429-30. Richard Oseney and William Boughton, 1180.
1430-31. John Omburley and Hugh Dockying, 1157.
1431-32. . . . .
1432-33. . . . .
1433-34. Richard Oseney and William Boughton, 1576.
1434-35. Henry Newdyk and John Hall, 1104.
1435-36. Robert Belne and Robert Walsshe (St. Swithin).
1436-37. . . . .
1437-38. . . .
1438-39. . . . .
1439-40. Richard Oseney and Thomas Walsshe, 1016.
1440-41. Richard Oseney and Thomas Walsshe, 1016.
1441-42. John Ombersleye and Henry Comyn (Reg. Pr. 1. 86).
1442-43. Geoffrey Fryer and Thomas Rumpnor, 1005.
1443-44. . . . .
1444-45. . . . .
1445-46. . . . .
1446-47. John Ombresley and Laurence Vale (St. Swithin).
1447-48. John Ombresley and Henry Deppyng, 1005.
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1449-50. John Ombresley and Hugh Dockyng, 1284.

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